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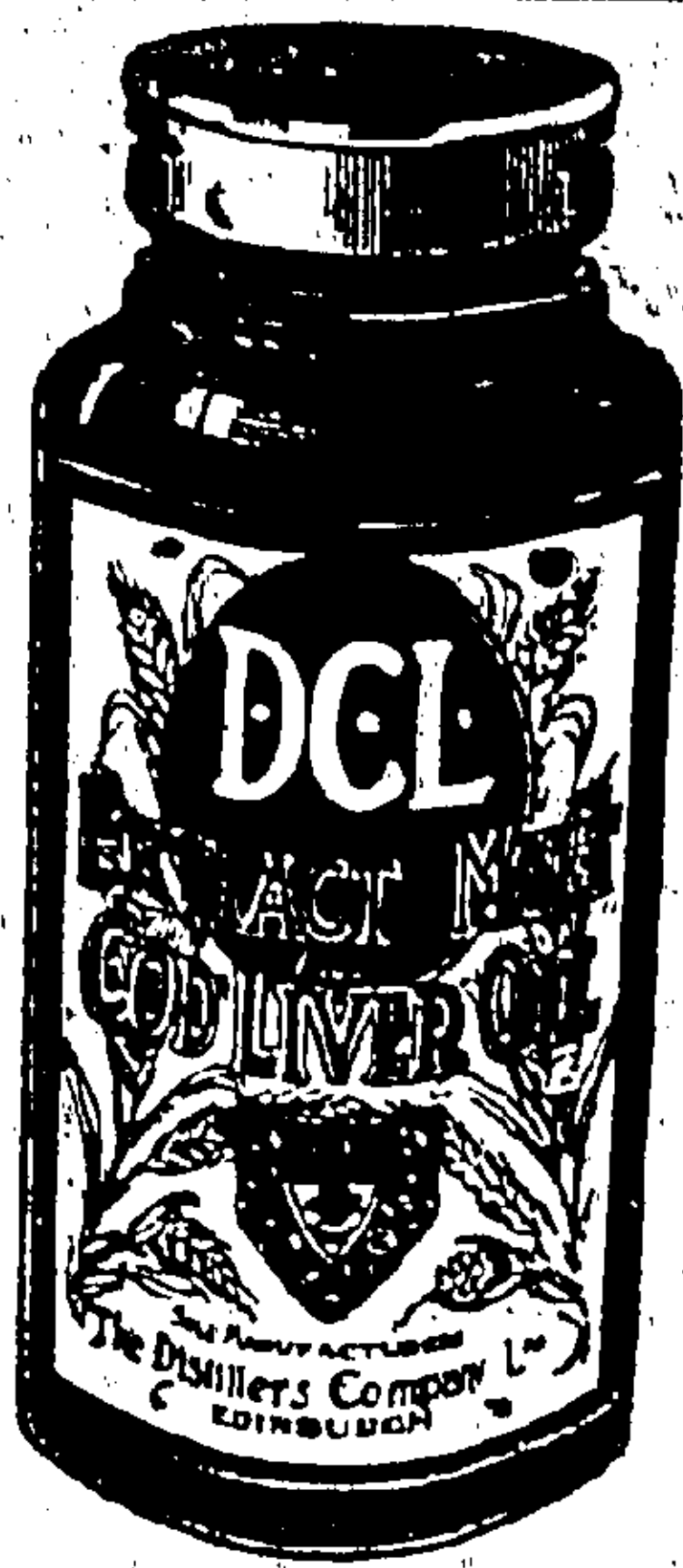
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LECTURE BY MR. H. LANEPART.

At Wednesday's public meeting of the

Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society, Mr. H. Lanepart gave an address on "God, our Brother Man." One of the famous Sydney lectures of Jinarajadasa. He said in brief:—Looking down the ages, we find that there have been epochs in civilisation when mankind for centuries found fascinating interest in the problems of God, heaven and how to get there, and how man was to save his own soul. There was then very little suggested in the way of change of human institutions, of general improvement, of social reform. Man's kind's very great activities then, were in connection with the Church. But today, and during the last fifty years, a great change has come. Look into any bookshop, go into any bookshop, and you will find that nearly all the literature deals with man's activities in one or other of its phases. Suggestion after suggestion for bettering human conditions is there discussed. We see that a new era has begun where man is less interested in God and more in man. And the reason is that man has made a stupendous discovery, which is fundamentally changing his outlook upon life.

In religion he was told that man was created by God and is therefore God's creature, but to-day he knows that his true relation to God is far more profound. He has discovered that his link with God is not only as a creature of God—a thing of clay which God has breathed into and made a living thing, but that he contains within himself Divinity and can manifest it, that man has revealed God and can always reveal Him. This knowledge of the Divinity in man has ever been proclaimed in the sacred mystical teachings and is clearest brought out in the Indian philosophy of which it is an integral part. To-day, the great Christian ideal is the salvation of the soul, but there were days when a complete ideal was presented—the "Deification of the soul," that man should put on a Divine Vesture and partake of the nature of God. This teaching as to the Divinity of Man slipped away from Christianity during the middle ages, but it has come back again. We are today that church after church is slowly nibbling at this idea that man exists not merely to be "saved" but to realize a more intimate relation to God as a revealer of the divine nature.

Open your eyes, my brothers, the lecturer concluded, look at the streets, look at the faces of men, break through every prejudice which you have, look with clear vision on your brothers who are suffering, who are toiling, look on your brothers who are achieving, and you will see in their faces, and in the faces of little children, God, our Brother Man.

NAVAL AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE

Lieutenant-Commander John H. Sparling, commanding the river gunboat *Waterbird*, China Station, is to be transferred to the command of the river gunboat *Gnat*, same station, in relief of Lieutenant-Commander N. R. Peplow, says the *China Express and Telegraph*.

The place of the 1st Battalion Local North Lancashire Regiment in the garrison of North China is to be taken shortly by the 1st Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment, which is under orders to leave Egypt by the troopship *Derbyshire*, presently conveying reliefs to the West Indies.

The change of the important wireless station on Stonecutters Island, Hongkong, is about to change hands, Captain William G. H. Miles, Royal Marines, having been selected to relieve Lieutenant-Commander H. P. Mead, whose tenure there will shortly expire. Captain Miles was commissioned in the Royal Marines in 1904, and was promoted captain eleven years later. He was placed on the supernumerary list for duty with the wireless service, and was latterly on the Main Committee of the Wireless Telegraphy Board as second naval member.

Two paymaster lieutenant-commanders, on completing eight years in that grade, have been advanced a step in rank. One of them is Paymaster-Commander A. S. Holborn, O.B.E., paymaster at Simons-town Dockyard. At the time of the Armistice he was Secretary to the Commandant at Hongkong.

That the Government of the United States is taking a keener interest in affairs in the Far East is indicated by the fact that the United States Commander-in-Chief has been instructed to obtain tenders of British and Chinese firms in that part of the world for the construction of six river gunboats authorized last year, each of which will cost a sum not exceeding \$700,000. According to *The Army and Navy Register*, if it be found advantageous to build the machinery of the first of the six gunboats in America and ship it to the Asiatic station, this work will be done at the New York Naval Yard. This will be determined by the tenders received, although it has been settled that the hull work must be done abroad, since it is impossible to do this construction in the United States and send the completed ships across the Pacific. For the patrol of the Yangtze-Kiang shallow draft and high speed are essential in the vessels utilized for this work, and the United States at present possesses only two vessels of this very special type—the *Pulao* and *Monowey*—both of which are about ten years old.

The following appointment was made by the Admiralty on September 29th:—Lieut. Comdr. A. R. Armitage to *Havkins* (October 1st).

H.M.S. *Vindictive*, which was some time ago allocated to the China Station in place of the *Diomedea*, has been undergoing further alterations at Chatham, but is expected to be out of dockyard hands this week. Captain Ralph Howard, R.N., is to take command.

SIR LAURENCE AND LADY GUILLEMARD.

ENTERTAINED BY SIR ROBERT
HO TUNG.

A delightful little luncheon party took place at Claridge's on September 23rd, when Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, of Hongkong, were hosts, in honour of Sir Laurence Guillemard, Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner for the Federated Malay States, and Lady Guillemard. The other guests comprised Sir Charles and Lady Addis, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Angier, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, H.E. Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Chen, Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Emmett, Mrs. A. G. M. Fletcher, Sir Gilbert Grindle, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hallifax, Miss Hartshorn, Sir Roderick Jones, Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Looker, Admiral Sir Arthur and Lady Leveson, Sir James and Lady Stewart Lockhart, Lt. Gen. Sir George and Lady Macdonough, The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Meath, Mrs. H. E. Morris, Mr. T. Petrie, Lady Stubb, Mr. Sydney Waterlow, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wellesley and Mr. T. H. Whitehead.

The toast "The King" having been honoured, Sir Robert Ho Tung said:—I have no desire to inflict a speech on you, but I feel sure that you all desire to join me in wishing Sir Laurence and Lady Guillemard a very happy voyage to Singapore and continued good fortune during their stay there. (Applause.) This is not the occasion for dwelling on the many excellent qualities of Sir Laurence Guillemard as a Governor. The fact that he has been asked to prolong his governorship for another term speaks volumes for the excellent manner in which he has discharged the various duties of a most responsible post (hear, hear) and shows that those who dwell in the Straits Settlements cannot have too much of a really good Governor. (Applause.) The acquaintance of my wife and myself with Sir Laurence and Lady Guillemard has been only of short duration, but it has been long enough to lead me to appreciate Sir Laurence's outstanding ability, alertness of mind and unflinching tact. At a luncheon given this summer by the British Empire Club to Sir Laurence, the Foreign Secretary, the Right Hon. Mr. Austen Chamberlain gave an amusing instance of our guest's tactfulness. Mr. Chamberlain also gave expression of his appreciation of Sir Laurence's great service to the Empire, and I need only say that we all cordially endorse the remarks of the Secretary of State on that occasion. My wife and I will always gratefully remember the courteous hospitality of Sir Laurence and Lady Guillemard when we passed through Singapore; her ladyship's graceful charm well known to all who have had the good fortune to meet her. (Applause.) Sir Laurence and Lady Guillemard are due to return to the Straits Settlements. I ask you all to join me in wishing them Bon Voyage and the best of good luck. (Applause.)

Sir Laurence Guillemard said:—I have to thank you Sir Robert on behalf of myself and my wife for the great compliment you have paid us to-day in asking this company to meet us, and for the very kind words in which you have proposed our healths. We met first of all in the East and made friends, and it is very pleasant that that meeting and that friendship should be renewed here. Out in Singapore I am very fortunate in one matter which concerns you, Sir Robert, very closely: it is the attitude of the Chinese. (Hear, hear.) I have in Malaya something over one and a quarter millions of Chinese—labourers, traders, merchants, lawyers, doctors, men of great distinction among them, many of them I am glad to number among my friends—speaking generally, they are the best of citizens and work well and comfortably with the British. (Applause.) It is just because I have this good fortune that I am able to sympathize with you Sir Robert, on this serious trouble afflicting China and in lesser degree Hongkong. It is not for me to express any opinion on the present position, still less to make any prediction with regard to the future. But in this room know one thing; we know what a great influence for good in the East is Sir Robert. Many of us in this room know how valuable his advice is in this country (hear, hear), and we all know that he will devote his great abilities, as he has always devoted them in the past, to the future peace and good government of the East and the mutual understanding and friendship of the two great nations of Great Britain and China. (Hear, hear.) In my task, Sir Robert, I wish you all success, and in testimony of that, I will ask all present to drink the health of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung. (Applause.)

The toast was enthusiastically honoured and Sir Robert concluded the proceedings by returning thanks, mentioning that he hardly deserved the very flattering terms in which Sir Laurence Guillemard had alluded to him.

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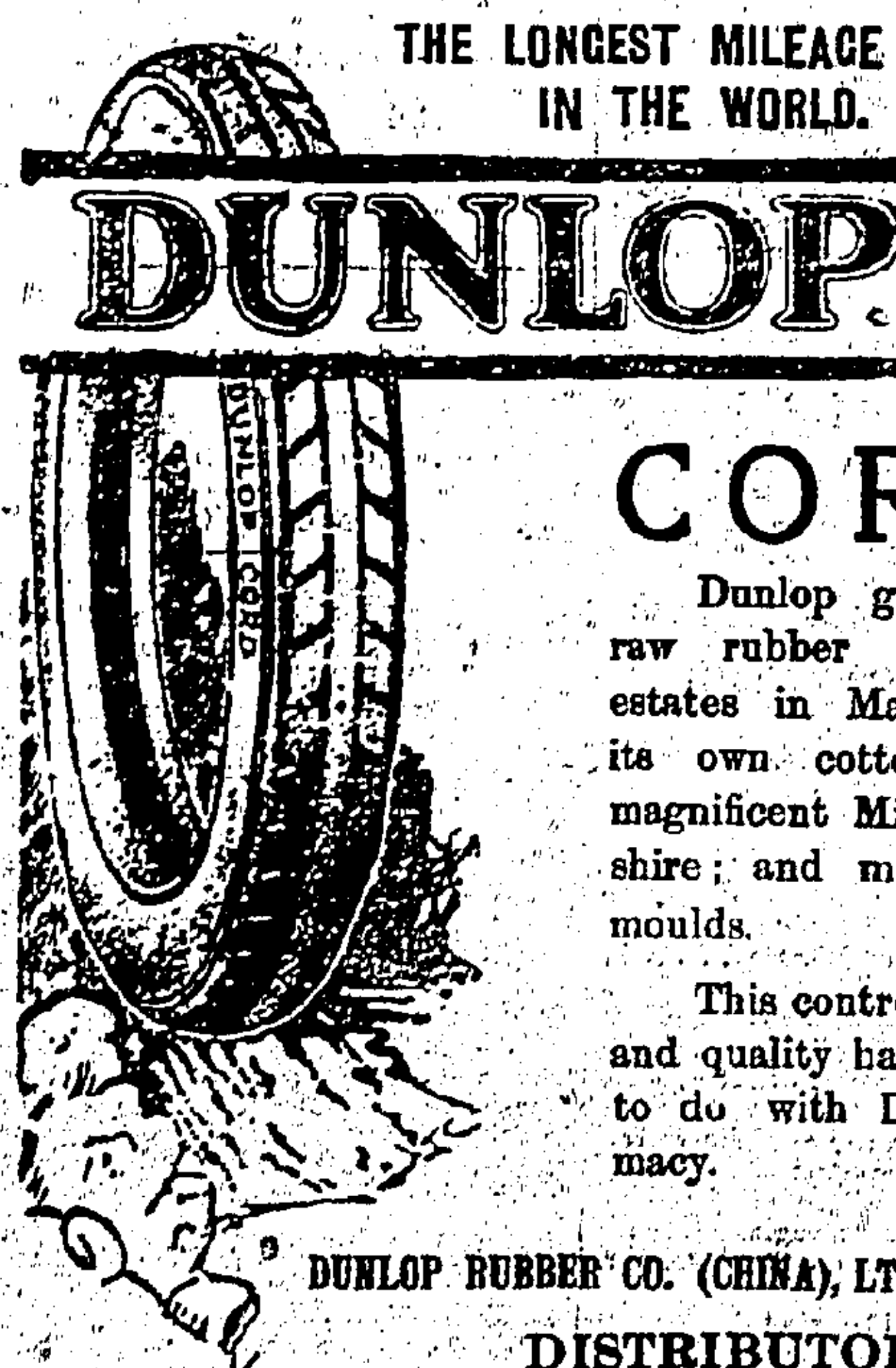
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The matches and grounds are as under:—

Kowloon C.C. 1st XI. v. Indian R.C. 1st XI. (League) on the H.K.C.C. ground.

Indian R.C. 2nd XI. v. Kowloon C.C. (League) on the I.R.C. ground.

"Club Outcasts" v. East Surreys on the H.K.C.C. ground.

University 1st XI. v. Royal Artillery on the University ground.

Chinese R.C. v. Royal Engineers on the C.R.C. ground.

Police R.C. v. University 2nd XI. on the P.R.C. ground.

Craigengower C.C. v. H.M.S. Hawkins on the H.K.C.C. ground.

The following will play for the Craigengower C.C. in their match with H.M.S. Hawkins:—D. Fritz (capt.), F. Grimes, R. C. Reed, A. Hamson, E. Fischer, E. Hamson, A. Kitchell, F. Schnepel, E. Mowlang, S. Abbas, M. Pinna.

In a friendly game between the Civil Service C.C. and the Royal Navy, the former will be represented by the following:—F. J. de Rome (capt.), O. R. Sayer, E. B. Reed, H. G. Wallington, F. E. Lawrence, F. J. Ling, E. W. Hamilton, B. D. Evans, E. C. Fischer, F. Baker, F. H. Holdman. Reserves: W. H. Edmunds, B. Hawkins.

The "Club Outcasts" team to oppose the East Surreys will be:—R. E. A. Webster (capt.), H. J. Armstrong, A. C. I. Bowker, G. T. Fowler, G. Gardner, H. E. Hollands, P. Jacks, G. P. Lamert, R. N. H. Oliver, P. H. Sherman, F. N. Young.

The Indian Recreation Club 1st XI. representatives travelling to Kowloon for the league game will be:—A. H. Rumbaba, A. H. Madan, A. J. Arculli, F. M. Arculli, J. S. A. Curran, O. Ismail, S. H. Ismail, S. A. Ismail, H. D. Rumbaba, U. M. Omar (capt.), N. B. Kitchell.

At Sookunpoo, the 2nd XI. (League) match, Kowloon is:—J. Akbar, J. C. Ansumbhoy, J. Hassan, A. S. Ismail, S. A. R. Ismail (capt.), M. P. Madan, Y. A. Wabab, S. A. Rumbaba, E. Nazarin, A. S. Siffad, and D. A. Razaek. Scorer: A. O. Madan.

The following will represent the University 1st XI. in a friendly match against the Royal Artillery C.C. on the Home ground:—A. A. Rumbaba (capt.), Rev. E. K. Quick, A. S. Hett, H. N. Balhatchet, Dr. D. K. Samy, S. O. Shahabudin, S. H. Huma, J. Laing, W. H. Sling, C. W. Lam and B. P. Ng.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI. in a friendly match against the Police R.C. at the Police ground, Happy Valley:—B. N. Sudan (capt.), E. Zimmar, W. M. Gittins, V. F. R. Viccarie, A. T. M. Barma, Y. C. Teh, C. H. Yeh, R. Chan, Wah, I. Tajima, C. K. Ong, and F. Hiptoola.

ARMY CRICKET.

The following have been selected to play for the Army versus the Kowloon Cricket Club at Kowloon next Wednesday in an all day match which will commence at 10.30 a.m.:—

Col. W. A. Edmunds, D.S.O., R.A., Captain E. W. Morris, D.S.O., R.A.S.C., Captain C. A. Bridgeford, D.F.C., R. Signals, Captain R. A. Watters, M.B., J.M.S., Captain J. O. Carpenter, M.C., the East Surrey Regt., Captain C. D. Armstrong, M.C., the East Surrey Regt., Lieut. J. H. Smith, R.A., Q.M.S., R.E., Q.M.S. Fritz, R.A.P.C., C.Q.M.S. Stripp, the East Surrey Regt. and Gen. Clayton, R.A. Reserve: Captain D. J. Alfrie, the East Surrey Regt.

Umpire: Pdr. Wood, R.A. Scorer: Pte. Oliver, the East Surrey Regt.

BOWLS.

SINGLES AND PAIRS FINALS.

At 2.45 p.m. to-day the finals in the singles and pairs bowls championship of the Colony will be played at the Civil Service Cricket Club's rink, Happy Valley.

Mrs. D. Gow will give away the prizes, including the Spey Cup won by the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

The finalists in the singles are W. Wetherpoon (Taikoo) and F. Cullen (Kowloon Dock R.C.). Those left in the pairs competition are the Police R.C. and the Taikoo R.C.

GOLF.

The competition for the St. John of Jerusalem and the British Red Cross Society trophy commences to-morrow (November 1st) at Fanling and lasts during the whole month.

Entries for the Governor's Shield (inter-hong competition) close at 9 a.m. on Monday.

FOOTBALL.

The following matches in the Hongkong League are down for decision to-day:—

Division I.

Kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

Club de Recreo v. H.M.S. Tamar, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Baldwin.

Hongkong Police v. R.A. South China ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith. South China v. Kowloon, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Smyth.

Division II.

Kick-off at 3 p.m.

St. Joseph's v. R.A. Reserves, Sookunpoo "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Windsor.

East Surreys Drums v. East Surreys Reserves, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Arnold.

Division II. "B."

Kick-off at 3 p.m.

East Surreys Drums Reserves v. St. Joseph's Boarders, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Spendiff.

Club de Recreo "B" v. South China "C", Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Omar.

Kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

Moslem Club "A" v. St. Joseph's Reserves, Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. McIvor.

University v. Moslem Club "B", Sookunpoo "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Smith, R.A.

The Hongkong F.C. will be taking part in the Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C. sports and therefore have no match. The Kowloon F.C. junior teams are also without games to-day.

The Recreo with their success of last week will start favourites in their match against the Tamar and as they have a set of forwards who can score goals, the sailors are likely to return defeated to-day. The sailors have a good defence but their forwards cannot settle down to combination.

The Police receive the R.A. on the Happy Valley ground and a very even game is expected. Clarke was absent from the Police team last week but the defence started little as Swan in goal was very wise and showed his old form between the sticks. The R.A. after leading by two goals to one at the interval fell off badly and were eventually beaten by the Police by five goals to two.

At Sookunpoo, the rearranged fixture between Kowloon and South China should draw a record gate in the absence of the game on the H.K.F.C. ground. McKelvie will be back in the Kowloon team this week and this team is expected to continue their series of wins in the league. South China, by their draw with the East Surreys last week will be well supported and visitors to the Garrison ground will be well rewarded with a good game.

In the junior games that between the East Surreys should be evenly contested. The Drums are considered the better team on their record this season to date they should win.

St. Joseph's by their win over South China last week should open strongly but they will find the Gunners Reserves a much improved side from last season. Stampton in goal for the R.A. is in good form this year.

The "B" season opened last week with a full programme, the University heading the list with goals scored. They should find little difficulty in winning against the Moslem "B". The Drums Reserves, South China "C" and Moslem "A" should win easily.

A charity game between teams chosen from the Citizens and Services will be played on the H.K.F.C. ground, by kind permission, on November 11th the gate being set aside for the local "Poppy Day" fund. Kick-off at 4 p.m.

WARNING TO STAGE ASPIRANTS.

SIR F. JENSON'S ADVICE.

Sir Frank Jenson, on behalf of the Grand Council of the Stage Guild, has issued a letter to the effect of which he remarks:—

"Recently much publicity has been given to certain theatrical engagements entered into by beginners. We feel some apprehension as to the effect of this publicity and are constrained to make the following comments:—

"Of course we recognize that the managers must be free to make whatever engagements they think best. They have the right to engage any person whom they think best qualified to perform, the part assigned to him or her. At the same time we wish to warn stage aspirants that however much acting is a heaven-born gift, it requires, like other gifts, training, hard work, time, and experience to develop properly.

"We must not combat the popular fallacy that one can walk on the stage and be a star. It is a most rare occurrence and a complete novice who can, by the light of nature alone, perform the simplest action on the stage in a satisfactory manner."

Hongkong Weekly Press.

THE "HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS" PUBLISHED TO-DAY, GIVES THE FULL REPORT OF THE OFFICIAL FAREWELL TO SIR EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G., ON THE COMPLETION OF HIS TERM OF OFFICE AS GOVERNOR.

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COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON TAXICAB CO., LTD.

The second ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Kowloon Taxicab Co., Ltd., was held yesterday at 33, Des Vœux Road, Central.

There were present Mr. H. Birkett (Chairman), Mr. A. H. Rowe (Managing Director), and Messrs. F. M. Ellis, E. M. Raymond, C. W. Fletcher, Dr. McNeill and A. A. Alves.

After the notice convening the meeting had been read:

The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen.—The Report and Accounts for 1924-25 having been in your hands for some days, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

Before proceeding to deal with the Company's affairs, I desire to refer to the great loss we have sustained in the death, under the tragic circumstances which you will all remember, of the late Hon. Mr. Chau Siu Ki, who was a Director of the Company from its inception and always took the deepest interest in its affairs. Mr. T. N. Chan has been invited by the Directors to fill the seat thus vacated, and I am sure he will carry on his father's excellent work.

You will note that the Balance Sheet shows a loss of \$46,680.14, but it has to be borne in mind that \$62,303.41 has been written off for depreciation, in addition to the \$35,915.04, written off last year. Making the total amount written off for depreciation, \$108,218.45, which represents about one-third of the paid-up capital of the Company and more than half the original cost of our taxi-cabs. This has been accomplished in a period of only fourteen months trading, as the bulk of our taxis did not arrive in the Colony until March 1924. Further it shows that your Directors have pursued a bold policy and made ample provision for depreciation, which, I feel sure, will meet with the approbation of the shareholders.

LOSS OF \$46,680.14.

You will also note that the Balance Sheet before you refers to the period ending April 30th, 1925, and since that date the affairs of the Company have been conducted on a different plan.

The loss of \$46,680.14, is to be attributed in a large measure to the fact that our drivers, working as servants of the Company, grievously abused the taxi-cabs, a fact which is borne out by item in the profit and loss account of \$46,937.85, for workshop and garage charges. Furthermore, by various ways, too complicated to describe here, the Company was deprived by the drivers of a considerable part of its just receipts. Your Directors, therefore, decided to begin the present year with a system of farming out the taxis to a syndicate, formed by the drivers themselves. The syndicate pays a fixed rate for the vehicles and they have to meet their own running, workshop and garage charges, thus eliminating from our accounts the items, Running Charges, Workshop and Garage Charges, and Trading Expenses, which together amount to \$210,910.37 in next statement of accounts to be presented to you. Furthermore, the item "Office Administration and Expenses" has been greatly reduced as the Company now employs a much smaller staff. In future, apart from these reduced office expenses, the Company has only to meet the cost of depreciation, and is at the same time in receipt of a regular income from the hire of its taxis. I would also call your attention to the item in the Balance Sheet of calls in arrears. These shareholders have been served with a notice under registered cover to pay the 3rd call with interest due and have been informed that in default of payment within 14 days their shares will be forfeited and sold in accordance with class 38 (a) of our Articles of Association.

NEW FLEET OF TAXIS.

Your Directors have under consideration the sale of the present fleet of taxis and the purchase of a new fleet of British-made vehicles for which purpose a visit

home to England by your Managing Director is under contemplation, in order to select the most suitable taxicab, and you may rest assured that the result will be the putting in commission of a greatly improved type of vehicle, specially adapted for hill climbing and generally suited to local conditions, and which will last much longer, with lower running expenses and smaller repair bills than our present fleet.

Although the Balance Sheet shows a loss, the results of our trading since May 1st under the new system of farming out the taxis have been very profitable and when the books are closed at the end of this month, which will be just six months trading under the new system, your Directors hope to declare an interim dividend. I have now pleasure in moving the adoption of this report and accounts and after this has been seconded I shall be glad to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions which any shareholder may desire to ask.

Mr. McNeill drew attention to the \$60,000 administration expenses and said that it was a high figure.

Mr. Rowe said that this figure covered the administration expenses for three branches. They had to pay a rent of \$2,000 monthly when they were in the A.P.C. building. But they had since moved and the expenses now did not come to more than \$2,000 with the upkeep of all the branches.

Mr. McNeill also drew attention to the item in the Balance Sheet for cushions and drivers' uniforms. He said that he had never seen the drivers wearing uniforms.

Mr. Rowe: They had them at first, but since those men were replaced, we decided to do away with uniforms. Further they used to look more untidy in their uniforms than in their ordinary clothes. That item also includes the cost of taxi-meters, of which there are 90, each costing \$125.

Mr. McNeill: Then there is the furniture item, which is \$7,643.

Mr. Rowe: Most of that was spent on the partition in the new building we took over at the A.P.C. This cost \$2,000. Other furniture was for Kowloon.

Mr. McNeill: I have seen the furniture in Kowloon and it is not worth \$50.

The CHAIRMAN: Much expense was due to our opening a big show room in Pedder Street. Your directors decided, after giving it a trial, to vacate the premises. It was a new building and we had to furnish the fittings.

Mr. McNeill asked if one man had the farming out of the taxis, or was every driver a farmer.

Mr. Rowe replied that there were three men who were guarantors, while each driver paid a \$50 guarantee.

FILTHY BUSES.

Mr. McNeill: The cars are in a very bad state, in fact they are in such a filthy condition that really some people object to take them. I myself have spent over a 100 dollars in fares and I know the buses are not in the condition they should be. If they were looked after better, the Company would prosper. As a small shareholder in the Company, I should like to see the Chinese drivers are, and they should be pulled up with a round turn.

The CHAIRMAN: The Company is strong-armed by the police, when occasion arises; and if the cars are not in condition they cannot be used. The police examine the cars thoroughly and we have had as many as twelve cars idle in one day, awaiting police inspection.

Mr. Rowe: The cars are all examined by the police every month.

The CHAIRMAN: You have been unlucky in the cars you have chosen, Mr. McNeill. Mr. Rowe also pointed out that before the strike they had thirty mechanics, whereas now they had only eight; and therefore, they had been working under difficulty to keep the buses on the road.

The CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the report and the balance sheet and Mr. E. W. Raymond seconded, the motion was carried unanimously.

Messrs. Chan Lim Pak and Sum Pak Ming were re-elected as directors of the Company, and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews were re-elected as auditors.

NEWS FROM CANTON.
CANTON-MACAO STEAMERS.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce of Macao have addressed a letter to the Strike Committee in Canton asking that the Canton-Macao steamers might resume their traffic. The Macao merchants are complaining of the shortage of food owing to the stoppage of trade between the two ports.

POLICE ASSERT THEMSELVES.

Police in Fatsan have succeeded in rescuing four well-known members of the community from military custody. The Reds accused them of mismanagement of public charitable associations, and arrested them with the help of the Portuguese Corps.

PAWN SHOPS.

Nearly 200 of the 300 pawn-shops in Canton are said to have paid their share of the \$120,000 war contributions asked of them by the anti-Reds by putting up some arguments, but the soldiers visited each shop in turn instead of making application through the Chamber of Commerce as is the usual procedure. To avoid annoyance, the merchants have agreed to pay, and the money has been handed in up to date.

SWATOW.

Merchants in Swatow last week thought they could postpone payment of the \$120,000 war contributions asked of them by the anti-Reds by putting up some arguments, but the soldiers visited each shop in turn instead of making application through the Chamber of Commerce as is the usual procedure. To avoid annoyance, the merchants have agreed to pay, and the money has been handed in up to date.

His Scouts, who were the volunteers of the anti-Reds, were the first to be seen in the streets of Swatow. They were seen in the streets of Swatow. They were seen in the streets of Swatow.

MILITARY SITUATION.

A communiqué issued by the anti-Reds from Swatow, October 28th, claimed success at Hua Yang and Kun Shek; and unofficial information lately received confirmed the denial that Swatow had gone back to the Reds after the battle of Hoi Lung and Luklung on the 26th and the 27th. The Reds who occupied the last mentioned districts have turned "white," according to one press report.

On the Southern Front, the anti-Reds claim the capture of Yenping, Toyshan, and Sunning districts. Kongmoon up to October 30th was still a Red port.

Along the West River, the Reds are fortifying Shihing. Heungshan, the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen's native district, is still controlled by the anti-Reds.

The Reds have despatched gunboats up the West River to prevent the concentration of boats who are rallying against the Kuomintang also.

The Reds have reported the capture of Luklung in the East River front.

Information from Red circles says that the Kuomintang Army has in the East River section some 9,500 men are around about 24,000, 7,500 around Ping-shan and Tam, and 7,000 near Hoyun.

Marshal Wu, now commanding the Yangtze troops against Marshal Chang Tso Lin of Mukden, communicated with General Chan Kwong Ming on October 19th, informing him of the activities now in progress in Central China.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

FOUR MISHAPS ON THURSDAY.

Yesterday's Police reports showed that four motor accidents occurred on Thursday.

A motor-truck, owned by the Taihing Construction Company, overturned on the Tsun Wan Road, near Kau Kang village. Fung Yeh, the Company's accountant who was seated next to the driver, sustained injuries to his legs, whilst the driver was slightly injured.

A Chinese boy, suffering from injuries to his head, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, after being knocked down by a P.W.D. lorry in Pokfulam Road.

BUS IN GARDEN.

While going along Saikung Road, a van, owned by the Kai Tai Motor Bus Co., overturned and rolled into a vegetable garden. The accident occurred when the bus was being turned into the Kowloon City Road to proceed towards Hung-hom. The driver was slightly injured.

The fourth accident occurred at Queen's Road, East, near the Naval Yard. The motor-car was owned by Tsang Kan Shuen and the driver, in order to avoid crashing into a truck, pulled up and was struck by a tram-car following close behind. No one was injured.

MR. J. E. ATHERLEY CHARGED.
ALLEGED MISAPPROPRIATION OF MONEY.

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The hearing was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, of the case in which Mr. J. Edward Atherley, formerly manager of Getz Bros & Co. (of the Orient), Ltd., Hongkong, appeared on remand from the previous day charged with the misappropriation of funds amounting to \$18,000 belonging to the Company.

Mr. D. H. Blake appeared to prosecute, Mr. W. B. Hind was for the defendant, and Mr. R. A. Wadson held a watching brief for the complainant concerned.

The firm's comptroller, Chow Kang Yan, who gave evidence on the previous day, was recalled by Mr. Blake, and questioned regarding certain books that were put in from the comptroller's department. Mr. Hind objected and said that no books from the comptroller's department could be used as evidence against the defendant in a criminal case.

The witness said he had to obey the manager (the defendant). He would take orders from the manager's clerk regarding small matters, such as the posting of a letter.

Mr. Hind: In this particular case you took orders from a man who came down from Shanghai, Mr. Kelly? You take orders from anybody whom you think has the power to give you orders?

Witness: Mr. Kelly is vice-president and before he came to Hongkong, defendant told me that he was coming. I did not take orders from him. I only answered his questions, which were put to me in the course of his investigation into the accounts.

Mr. Hind: Did you take any orders from Mr. Parkhurst? Witness: No.

Continuing, witness said he had received three months' notice, terminating his engagement on October 31st.

Witness, making a voluntary statement, said that on previous occasions when Mr. Parkhurst had come to Hongkong and had asked him for money for hotel expenses he did not pay until he received an authority marked O.K. by the defendant.

Mr. Hind mentioned that the notice in question was sent from Shanghai. Cheung Ho Chi, cashier in the comptroller's department of Getz Bros., gave evidence relating to monies received in March 1924. He said his duties were to receive monies from the dealers and make entries in the Chinese cash-book.

Shown a book, witness said it was the cash-book and also the bank paying-in book. It was in his handwriting. When he received individual sums from dealers, he entered the amount in the cash-book and then paid the money into the bank. He as cashier was responsible for seeing that the money was paid into the bank and if he did not take it to the bank himself, he would send it by a clerk in the comptroller's department.

AN AMUSING INTERLUDE.

Mr. Hind raised a number of objections during the evidence of the cashier and argued that the way it was being presented was not admissible and that the only way the payments could be proved was by means of the receipts and by the persons who made the payments.

After further evidence, His Worship remarked that he did not think they would complete the case that afternoon and mentioned that he wished to finish at four o'clock.

Mr. Hind: May I suggest, Your Worship, that you stop at 3.45 as the evidence has to be read over to the witness and that will take some time.

Mr. Blake: There has not been little evidence to read. There has been little but objections taken down so far.

Witness next gave evidence regarding a number of payments received from dealers in respect to the sale of certain old newspapers by the Company.

At this stage the case was adjourned until Monday afternoon.

A COOLIES' SQUABBLE.

ONE MAN BEATEN TO DEATH AT NORTH POINT.

Early yesterday morning the dead body of a Chinese coolie was discovered at North Point, near the Ming Yuen Gardens, where the Netherlands Harbour Works Company are carrying out reclamation work.

As the result of investigation by the police, it would appear that during a quarrel on Thursday night two of a gang of Shantung coolies employed on the reclamation work, were tied to bamboo posts and mercilessly beaten, one of whom died as a result. The survivor was removed to the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition.

The Police had several of the Shantung coolies from North Point under detention yesterday until fuller details are obtainable as to how the quarrel arose.

ARMS CASE.

AMERICAN SEAMAN CHARGED.

Verlie Vlon Brunson, an unemployed American seaman, was remanded on bail of \$2,000 by Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, when at the Central Magistracy yesterday, he was charged with possession of two automatics and 52 rounds of ammunition.

Defendant was arrested by officers of the Criminal Investigation Department on Thursday night when the arms were found in his room at the Seamen's Institute.

MURDER OF INDIAN CONSTABLE.
CHINESE FISHERMAN CHARGED.

A Chinese fisherman appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, on a charge of having murdered an Indian constable at Ngau Shi Wan.

Mr. Whyte-Smyth, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and said the scene of the alleged murder was Ngau Shi Wan in the Kowloon City district. It was in the hilly country just above the site of the proposed new prison.

On July 8th, at 4 a.m., a picket of Indian constables paraded at the Kowloon City Police Station and proceeded to Ngau Shi Wan. Their instructions were to keep a sharp look out for people attempting to cut down trees. There were four constables comprising the picket, but after two hours' duty one of the men returned to the station. The remainder of the picket proceeded along the path which circles the hills, and suddenly came across a Chinese who had a tree branch on his shoulder. As soon as he saw the police, he dropped the load and ran.

The constables gave chase, one firing his revolver into the air. The Chinese, who was defendant, then surrendered to the police, who made a search of the vicinity and found a second cut branch near the spot where they had first sighted the man.

They were about to take defendant back to the station, when, right across the valley, near the Club Lusitano Country Clubhouse, they saw more Chinese cutting down trees. Two of the constables started off across the valley leaving the defendant in the custody of their comrade. It seemed foolish that they should leave the deceased who was a man of poor physique to take charge of the defendant, who was healthy, strong man.

When the constables returned to the spot where they had left their comrade, they found him lying on the ground, and bleeding profusely. Defendant had vanished. The Indian had a bullet wound in the face and was also wounded in the abdomen. The revolver was found about 40 yards away, where, apparently, it had been thrown.

There was one witness of the struggle, a licensed hawk who had his stall on the lower ground, more than 300 yards from the scene. He was at his stall when he heard a polite whistle blown, which was almost immediately followed by the report of a shot. He looked up the hillside and saw two men struggling, one of whom he recognised by his uniform as being an Indian constable. He ran to a house about 150 yards away, the residence of Mr. Knopp of the Hongkong Excavation, Pile-driving and Construction Co., Ltd., to give the alarm, and shortly after his arrival he heard two more shots. Knopp accompanied him up the hillside, and here they found the constable on the ground.

The defendant was arrested on the Lower Bridge on October 2nd, and was later identified by the deceased's companions.

The suggestion of the Crown, said Mr. Whyte-Smyth, was that the Indian constable fired the first shot and then defendant got possession of the revolver and in the struggle killed his custodian. His Worship adjourned the case.

DILUTED VINEGAR CASE.
KOWLOON STORE MANAGER FINED.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton gave his decision, yesterday afternoon, at the Kowloon Magistracy, in the case in which the Chinese manager of the Kowloon Store was charged with having sold diluted vinegar in a bottle labelled "Pure Malt Vinegar." His Worship imposed a fine of \$50.

At the hearing on the previous day Mr. D. McCallum had appeared for the defendant, made a certain remark, which Mr. Hamilton said he considered most improper and disrespectful to his Court and he hoped Mr. McCallum would apologise.

Yesterday Mr. McCallum said he now took the opportunity of apologising for the unfortunate and inappropriate remark he had made. In view of the publicity given, he would like to explain to His Worship why he made such a remark. He was under the impression at the time that Inspector Heper made a contradictory statement in evidence to the one he made at a previous hearing.

WAREHOUSE AS BEDROOM.
TOBACCO REMOVED FROM BOND.

On a charge of removing a large quantity of tobacco, cigars and cigarettes from a bonded warehouse to an unlicensed part of his premises, Lee Wing Tang, of 19 Nathan Road, appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, and was fined \$50. There was an alternative charge of keeping the tobacco in an unlicensed warehouse.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports, prosecuted, and said that 15 lbs. of tobacco, 21,025 cigars, and 215,000 cigarettes were removed. Defendant who purchased the business from Vento Alenza, about two months ago, was granted permission to store the goods in a shed in the yard, but when a Revenue Officer visited the premises he found that the shed was divided by a joint wall and that the bonded warehouse was used as a bedroom, while the tobacco was stored in the other half of it.

TRIBUTE TO MR. R. C. WILCOX.
FORMER LESSEE OF THE HONGKONG "DAILY PRESS."

ONE TIME SECRETARY OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The announcement of the death of Mr. R. C. Wilcox at home was given in our columns some time ago.

In a short reference to his career the *China Express and Telegraph* writes:—The late Mr. Wilcox, who had reached his eightieth year, was a man of quiet and unassuming ways, his whole active life having been devoted, with tactful zeal and energy, to the work of the organisations he served. In his day, none knew more of their affairs than he, none was ever better qualified for the posts he held, and when he finally retired it was with the respect and esteem of all who had the privilege of his acquaintance.

Mr. Wilcox went out to Hongkong in 1875 as lessee and editor of the *Hongkong Daily Press*, with which paper he remained associated until 1880. From 1880 to 1901 he was Secretary to the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, from that time until January, 1905, the year of his retirement from the far East, he was head of Turner & Co. He was made Justice of the Peace by Sir George Bowen, was director of many local companies, including the Hongkong Hotel, the foundation of whose prosperity he largely helped to shape. One of the oldest residents of the Colony, he was much respected for his judgment and probity by a large circle of friends. On his return to this country he continued to take the greatest interest in China's questions and was elected a Member of the General Committee of the China Association in 1905 and became its Honorary Treasurer in 1908, which post he filled until a month or two ago. His interest in local affairs was shown by his election to the Epsom Board of Guardians, on which Board he continued to act until, for reasons of health, he recently felt it necessary to resign.

The funeral, preceded by a short service at Christ Church, Sutton, of which Mr. Wilcox was a member, took place at Sutton Cemetery at noon on September 25th.

HOME MAILS.

The P. & O. s.s. *Khiva* arrived from the North yesterday with mails from Shanghai, Japan, and London, (via Siberia, London, October 6th). There were in all 196 bags, of which 36 bags were from the United Kingdom and 54 bags from Europe.

The s.s. *Kalyan* with mails from Europe via Suez (letters and papers, London, October 1st, and parcels, September 24th) is due early to-morrow morning and the mail will be ready by 11 a.m.

S.S. "KALYAN."

DUE EARLY TO-MORROW MORNING.

It is understood that the s.s. *Kalyan*, on which boat the New Governor, Mr. Cecil Clementi, C.M.G., is travelling from Ceylon, will arrive early to-morrow morning.

Others returning to the Colony by the *Kalyan* are Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Crook. Mr. Crook is the new headmaster of Queen's College. Mr. P. S. Cassidy, of Messrs. J. D. Hutchison & Co., Mrs. Chenevix-Trench, wife of Major L. Chenevix-Trench, C.M.G., D.S.O., Royal Engineers, and Mr. R. E. Lindell.

S.S. "KHIVA."

SOME OF HER PASSENGERS.

The P. & O. s.s. *Khiva* on which H.E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) sails for Home to-day, arrived from Shanghai early yesterday morning.

Among her passengers are Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, barrister-at-law, and Crown Advocate, Supreme Court, Shanghai; Dr. G. E. Aubrey, Hongkong, and Major F. C. Hyland, M.C. Royal Engineers, and Mrs. Hyland.

PROPERTY SALES.

At the China Auction Rooms, No. 4, Duddell Street, yesterday, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza, offered for sale the Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1443, together with two buildings thereon in the course of construction at Nathan Road. The upset price was \$50,000 and the property was knocked down to Mr. Chan Ying Yee, of 45, Bonham Strand, East, for \$35,500.

Mr. Chan also bought the second lot, comprising the remaining position of Kowloon Inland-Lot No. 1084 together with Nos. 600 to 614 Shanghai Street (Even Numbers). Bidding began at \$110,000 and the property was disposed of for \$114,500.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory issued the following report at 5.30 p.m. yesterday:—Changes of pressure are slight. The anti-cyclone has increased slightly in intensity and the typhoon still appears to be stationary in Lat. 17deg. N., Long. 123deg. A moderate to fresh monsoon will prevail over the Northern China Sea.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

FOR and From 2nd NOVEMBER, ALL MEALS at FANLING should be ordered from CAFE WISEMAN by 8.30 p.m. the day before they are required.
ALL ROOMS should be booked through the SECRETARY.
By Order of the Committee,
E. D. MATTHEWS,
Secretary, R. H. K. G. C.
25th October, 1925. [2829]

THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

NEXT TERM Begins on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1st when All New Boys should attend School at 8.30 a.m.
The Names of New Boys, Day Boys and Boarders, should be Registered before that Date.
Examinations will be held from NOVEMBER 1st to 5th.
Promotions will be made and a New Year's Work will begin on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1st.
W. T. FEATHERSTONE,
Headmaster. [2830]

THE HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION will be held at Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.'s Board Room on THURSDAY, the 5th day of NOVEMBER, 1925, at 5.15 p.m. for the following purposes—
1.—To receive the General Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending the 30th day of June, 1925.
2.—To elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Official Referee, Manager, Secretary and Treasurer and the General Committee for the year 1925-1926.
By Order of the General Committee,
T. G. BENNETT,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 31st October, 1925. [2832]

S.S. "DOCIEUR PIERRE BENOIT."

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from DUNKIRK, ANTWERP, MIDDLESBOROUGH and LONDON.
In connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 11.00 Noon To-day, requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 4th November, 1925, at Noon, will be subject to Rent not Landing Charges.
All Claims must be put in to me on or before Saturday, the 7th November 1925, or they will not be recognized.
All damaged Packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 4th November, 1925, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
R. BODENFUSHER,
Agent.
Hongkong, 29th October, 1925. [2831]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"ELLERMAN" LINE.

FROM EUROPE.

THE Steamship "CITY OF BARODA"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence Delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
N. Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 4th November, 1925, will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 11th November, 1925, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday or Friday, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period of One Week.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LTD.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1925. [2833]

TRINCE LINE FAR EAST SERVICE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "GOTHIC PRINCE"

Having arrived from the above Port on 30th instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, 6th Nov., 1925 at 10 a.m.
All Claims must be presented within 10 days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th November, 1925 will be subject to Rent.
Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.
FURNESS (FAR EAST), LTD.,
2nd Floor, King's Building,
Cromwell Road, Hongkong.
Telephone No. 2166.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1925. [2835]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

PURSUANT to Section 16 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1917, as amended by Section 6 of Ordinance No. 19 of 1918, I the Undersigned, CHARLES EDWARD LAWRENCE, GRIST whose place of Residence and Service for the Last Twelve Months has been No. 9, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and who is under Articles of Clerkship to Mr. CHARLES EDWARD HARTNELL BEAVIS of No. 9, Queen's Road, aforesaid, Solicitor, hereby Give Notice that it is My Intention a the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof to Apply for My Examination and Admission as a Solicitor of this Honourable Court.
Dated this Thirtieth day of October, 1925.
C. E. L. GRIST. [2834]

THE HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

A GYMKHANA will be held on the Polo Ground, Commencing 3.00 p.m. on SATURDAY, 31st OCTOBER (Weather permitting).
Capt. WISEMAN will supply Tea and Refreshments to the Members, Enclosure, and by kind permission of Capt. C. P. TALBOT, U.S.O., R.N., and Officers, the Band of H.M.S. *Hermes* will play.
PROGRAMME:
4 CHUKKA MATCH—The Club vs. The Army
Y. C. RACE. LADIES NOMINATION RACE.
POLO BALL RACE. MUSICAL CHAIRS.
BATACLAVA MATCH.
Prizes have been donated and will be presented at the conclusion of the Gymkhana. Events are OPEN to all Members of the Club and of the Mounted Infantry.
Entry Lists showing Conditions of the Races are posted at the Club House, at the CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES and at the HONGKONG CLUB.
[2776]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 1925, at 5.30 p.m., in the Jockey Club Room, HONGKONG CLUB ANNEX.
By Order,
H. GREENWOOD,
Acting Secretary. [2783]

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A First Call of \$400 per share has been made upon all Members holding Shares upon which \$1 per share only has been already paid, and that the same will be Payable to the Bankers of the Company, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION at Hongkong, on or before the 2nd NOVEMBER, 1925.
JOHN D. EUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1925. [2671]

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

WITH reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 18th SEPTEMBER, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$3.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 3rd NOVEMBER, 1925, instead of 1st OCTOBER, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further Extend the Time for Payment of This Call.
NOTICE IS ACCORDINGLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Date for Payment of the Final Call is POSTPONED to 4th JANUARY, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the date named therein were the 4th JANUARY, 1926.
FOR THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., (1918), SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 28th October, 1925. [2832]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

WITH reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 23rd JULY, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$5.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 2nd NOVEMBER, 1925, instead of 1st AUGUST, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further Extend the Time for This Call.
NOTICE IS ACCORDINGLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Date for Payment of the Final Call is POSTPONED to 1st FEBRUARY, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the Date named therein were the 1st FEBRUARY, 1926.
FOR THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1925. [2823]

WANTED.

WILL Those who have a FURNISHED HOUSE or APARTMENT TO LET on JANUARY 1st, 1926, kindly Send Full Particulars to Box No. 2802, c/o Hongkong Daily Press.
Accommodation is Required by a Family of Four—Not a Mess—and Owners need have no fear of damage to their Property during Tenancy.
Rental in Advance, if desired. Long or Short Term Lease Immaterial. Not particularly interested in Kowloon. [2802]

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INTIMATIONS.

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THE CHEFOO HARBOUR IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION invites TENDERS for Supplying FORTY SIX SETS OF RAILWAY TRUCK WHEELS, 15-inch diameter, Mounted Fast on a Carbon Axle, not less than 3-inch diameter, Outside Journals, with Brackets or Axle Boxes Complete and Ready for Fitting onto the Commission's Platforms for the Use on 40-inch Track Gauge to Carry Two Tons on Each Axle. The Wheel Sets must be Delivered at Chefoo.

Tenders must Specify their own Date of Delivery and Guarantee to Deliver the Wheel Sets within the Specified Date. Payment shall be Made on Delivery.

Tenders together with Detailed Descriptions and Drawings, Sealed and Endorsed with the Title "TENDER FOR TRUCK WHEELS" must be sent to the TREASURER, CHEFOO HARBOUR IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION, before Noon of the 17th NOVEMBER, 1925. The Harbours Improvement Commission has the right to Reject any or All Tenders submitted.
R. C. L. D'ANJOU,
Treasurer,
CHEFOO HARBOUR IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION. [2812]

BY ORDER OF THE FIRST MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate at VICTORIA in the Colony of Hongkong and known as THE REMAINING PORTION OF MARINE LOT NO. 155 and LINDING LOT NO. 33, together with the Premises thereon known as No. 394, DES VOEUX ROAD WEST and Nos. 397, 397A, 397B, 397C, 397D, 397E, 397F, 397G, 397H, 397I, 397J, 397K, 397L, 397M, 397N, 397O, 397P, 397Q, 397R, 397S, 397T, 397U, 397V, 397W, 397X, 397Y, 397Z, 397AA, 397AB, 397AC, 397AD, 397AE, 397AF, 397AG, 397AH, 397AI, 397AJ, 397AK, 397AL, 397AM, 397AN, 397AO, 397AP, 397AQ, 397AR, 397AS, 397AT, 397AU, 397AV, 397AW, 397AX, 397AY, 397AZ, 397BA, 397BB, 397BC, 397BD, 397BE, 397BF, 397BG, 397BH, 397BI, 397BJ, 397BK, 397BL, 397BM, 397BN, 397BO, 397BP, 397BQ, 397BR, 397BS, 397BT, 397BU, 397BV, 397BW, 397BX, 397BY, 397BZ, 397CA, 397CB, 397CC, 397CD, 397CE, 397CF, 397CG, 397CH, 397CI, 397CJ, 397CK, 397CL, 397CM, 397CN, 397CO, 397CP, 397CQ, 397CR, 397CS, 397CT, 397CU, 397CV, 397CW, 397CX, 397CY, 397CZ, 397DA, 397DB, 397DC, 397DD, 397DE, 397DF, 397DG, 397DH, 397DI, 397DJ, 397DK, 397DL, 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HONGKONG, OCTOBER 31ST, 1925.

A TRADE RETROSPECT.

A GENERAL review of the state of British trade at the end of September, which is provided by the Federation of British Industries, chiefly for the information of members, throws valuable light on several branches of business activity. The broad outlines may be referred to since they contain features of general interest. It is common knowledge that trade depression has been specially severe in the iron and steel trades. The situation is disclosed by facts and figures covering the month of August, and no improvement over preceding months. The production of pig iron fell to 4,500 tons compared with 492,700 tons in July and 583,000 tons in August, 1924, the reaching the lowest figure since September, 1922. The number of furnaces in blast at the end of the month was 136, the same number as at the end of July, 1924, furnaces having been blown in and five having been damped down or blown out. The output of steel ingots and castings declined to 477,100 tons compared with 590,400 tons in July and 577,500 tons in August, 1924. The foreign trade returns are equally unsatisfactory. In both home and export business foreign competition has been severely felt, and the British manufacturer, faced with the dangers of Continental firms to mop up the few orders that have come in at prices below his range, has been turning his attention to markets within the Empire in which he could rely on preference. There have, however, been a few substantial orders. Reports from Sheffield indicate an improvement in the tool export trade, which is stated to be coming ground over

German competition. This is attributed to the superiority in quality of British goods, which is fully recognised by foreign purchasers, the only difficulties being price and length of credit.

It is gratifying to learn that in the engineering trades British firms are able to report an improvement. This may be taken to indicate a return to stability in the world's commerce and industry. For several years large orders for certain types of plant and machinery have gone begging, either because the financial conditions attached were too risky or the position of the authority proposing to place the contracts was insecure. But this stage, it may be hoped, has now been passed. At all events there are signs that confidence is growing. A contract has been arranged between engineers in Poland and a British firm of machine tool manufacturers involving an expenditure of about £100,000 on lathes, drills and other forms of machine shop equipment. Orders have been placed for various descriptions of machinery for the Argentine and South Africa; and British railway firms have signed contracts with the Uganda Railway, the railway authorities of Burma, the Sudan Government Railways, and the railways of the Federated Malay States. In addition, contracts have been awarded to a British firm of bridge builders for the construction of the "Connaught" bridge over the Klang River, Malaysia, and also for similar constructions in South and Central Africa.

Unfortunately, shipbuilding and marine engineering are in a parlous state. There are three or four yards shut down on the Tyne, and the remainder of the shipyards have the majority of their berths unoccupied. Enquiries for new construction are still few, and whenever they emanate from abroad the competition is keen and world-wide. Repair work, too, has fallen off. On the other hand, the motor industry is looking forward to a period of increasing prosperity. The portance of the motor industry in Britain may be gauged from the fact that £20,000,000 of capital is invested merely one branch of it—cycles and motor cycles, for which the demand seems to be growing as was seen by the success of the Show at Olympia at the end of September.

With regard to the textile industries the reports issued from Bradford on the wool trade state that buyers maintain a cautious attitude, and there is no confidence in making purchases far ahead. The increase in the Australian tariff on the cheaper grades of cloth and ready-made clothing has had a depressing effect. There is, however, a general feeling that a slightly better outlook lies before

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DEATH ON THE RANGE.

GENERAL MUELLER KILLED BY STRAY BULLET.

BERLIN, October 30th.
General Mueller, Commander of the Reichswehr in Saxony, who suppressed the Communist disorders in Saxony 2 years ago with an iron hand, died tragically while watching shooting practice at Jüterborg. He suddenly fell down and expired.

At first it was thought death was due to a stroke, but later it was ascertained that he had been struck by a bullet, fired from a machine-gun, half a mile away.

PERSIAN GULF CYCLONE.

FIRST REPORTS WERE VERY MUCH EXAGGERATED.

BUSHRIM, October 30th.
Messages from the Persian Islands confirm the reports of the recent cyclone in the Persian Gulf was exaggerated. It is now stated that 32 divers of the pearling fleet were drowned and 45 boats are missing.

Casualties amongst boats from other ports are estimated at 50. The storm did not damage the town.

EARLIER CABLES.

HAYLEY MORRIS CASE.

FURTHER EVIDENCE TAKEN AT UCKFIELD COURT.

LONDON, October 29th.
Three motor cars with blinds drawn arrived at Uckfield Police Court to-day, and several young girls, whose heads hooded emerged and entered the court on occasion of the re-appearance of Hayley Morris and his newly-wedded wife before the Magistrate.

A pathetic figure in the witness box was the girl of fifteen who broke at the previous hearing. She had been hesitatingly described certain facts and said that Morris told her not to tell anyone and that if she wanted money, to write to him.

A girl of twenty said that when Morris asked her to go to his room she appealed to Mrs. Morris, who said: "If you like me you will go, or else he will stop my allowance." Witness then said she would go if Mrs. Morris would, and said that Mrs. Morris was present during an alleged incident in the room.

Hayley Morris and his wife, formerly Miss Madeline Robert are defendants in a charge of being concerned together in a conspiracy for the procurement of young girls. They have been remanded and bail was allowed them.

VICEROY OF INDIA.

MAJOR WOOD TO SUCCEED LORD READING.

LONDON, October 29th.
It is officially announced that Major the Rt. Hon. E. F. L. Wood, Minister of Agriculture, has been appointed Viceroy of India.

[The new Viceroy, the Rt. Hon. Edward Frederick Lindley Wood, was appointed Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the present Baldwin Government. He is 43 years of age, and is the eldest son of the second Viscount Halifax. He was educated at Eton and at Oxford, obtaining his M.A. and being made a Fellow of All Souls. He entered Parliament in 1910, as Unionist member for the Ripon division of the West Riding of Yorkshire, was appointed Parliamentary Under Secretary for the Colonies in 1921, and President of the Board of Education the year following. He served during the War, and holds the rank of Major in the Yorkshire Dragoons. He was made a Privy Counsellor in 1922. In 1909 he married Lady Dorothy Onslow, youngest daughter of the fourth Earl of Onslow, and they have three sons and a daughter.]

COAL VERSUS OIL.

SIR RICHARD REDMAYNE GIVES HIS OPINION.

LONDON, October 29th.
Giving evidence before the Coal Commission, Sir Richard Redmayne said that he could see no striking change on a world basis, detrimental to British coal interests. Britain's coal exports in 1924 were 51.2 per cent. of world exports as compared with 49.8 per cent. in 1913. He expressed the opinion that in a century there will be no oil in the United States and that the world supply of oil will not suffice for more than from eighty to one hundred years.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
NEW FRENCH CABINET.
GOVERNMENT HAS DISTINCT LEANING TO LEFT.

PARIS, October 29th.
The Cabinet has finally been formed, the Premiership and office of the Treasury being taken by M. Painlevé; the Budget by M. Bonnet. Foreign Office by M. Briand, Ministry of Justice by M. Chautemps, Home Office by M. Schrameck, War Office by M. Daladier. Navy by M. Borel, Public Works by M. De Monzie, Agriculture by M. Darand, Commerce by M. Perrier, Colonies by M. Vincent, Labour by M. Durrand, Pensions by M. Antierou and Instruction by M. Delbos.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
THE NEW FORMATION.

The new Cabinet has been completed. M. Painlevé is Premier and Finance Minister, M. Briand Foreign Minister, and M. Perrier Minister for the Colonies.

The new Government is distinctly more left than the outgoing one. It consists of thirteen Radicals, five Republican-Socialists, and three Radical Left members. Apart from the disappearance of M. Caillaux, the most significant departure is Senator Chaumet, who represented the Moderates in the Senate. His portfolio of the Ministry of Commerce is assigned to M. Daniel Vincent, a former Minister under M. Poincaré, who belongs to the Louchour group.

It is announced that M. Chaumet will be appointed Governor of the Bank of France.

M. Herriot is represented by two of his principal lieutenants, M. Chautemps and M. Daladier. The former insisted on the portfolio of Justice, which carries the Deputy Premiership. An important feature is the division of the Finance department into two sections, namely the Treasury, of which M. Painlevé is the head, and the Budget, which is entrusted to M. Bonnet, under-secretary of the Premier's department in the last Cabinet.

All the new Cabinet Ministers previously held office except Senator Perrier. All are Deputies except four.

DUTIES OF MINISTERS.

M. Painlevé, as Minister of the Treasury, will deal with Treasury questions regarding the movement of funds and the direction of public accounts. He will negotiate with banks and deal with exchange questions. M. Bonnet, whose functions are shortly to be defined in a special decree, will control the administration finances and State monopolies, prepare the budget and follow the Chamber's debates.

THE BALKAN AFFAIR.
GREEKS HAVE EVACUATED BULGAR TERRITORY.

PARIS, October 29th.
The Council of the League of Nations has received telegrams from Athens explaining that the hitch in the Greek evacuation of Bulgaria occurred owing to the Bulgarians following up the Greeks too closely, with the result that shots were exchanged. But the incident was not serious and the evacuation will be carried out according to schedule.

Later.

An official message from Athens says that the Greeks have now evacuated Bulgarian territory.

FRENCH IN MOROCCO.

PARIS, October 29th.
According to the *Temps*, a message from Fez says the French troops have been distributed for the winter as follows: One and a half divisions in the western sector, two in the centre, two in the eastern and one in reserve. It is expected that the majority of the fifteen battalions of European troops and numerous batteries of artillery will be placed at the disposal of the home authorities.

ELECTIONS IN VICTORIA.

COMPULSORY VOTING BILL IS MOOTED.

MELBOURNE, October 29th.
The Victoria Assembly has adjourned the debate on the compulsory voting Bill, imposing a penalty of £2 for failure to vote in State elections.

CRISIS IN SYRIA.

GENERAL SARRAIL MAY BE RECALLED.

PARIS, October 29th.

It is reported that one of the first acts of the new Government will be to recall General Sarrail from Syria.

PRESS IS AGITATED.

PARIS, October 30th.
The newspapers are most agitated over the Syrian situation. While *Le Petit Parisien* quotes the Premier's Office as denying the intention to recall General Sarrail and replace him by Gen. Gilliat, Generalissimo on the Rhine, other papers suggest that General Sarrail's recall will be effected similarly to General Lyautey's case in Morocco. That is by the despatch to Syria of a Civilian Resident, under whom General Gamelin will carry on military operations. The names of M. Berenger and M. Paul Boncour are mentioned for the post of Resident.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

CAIRO, October 29th.

A message from the Damascus newspaper *Oman* says that on October 23rd a communiqué from the British Consulate stated that the bombardment was expected to restart on the following day but the Consulate would do its best to send Britishers from the danger zone. Later the same night, the French authorities announced that guarantees had been given for the payment of the fines imposed on the city and that, therefore, the danger of bombardment was temporarily over. The authorities have arrested Hassan el Karzali, who led the band in the insurrection and 43 other insurgents, while 180 Damascus and suburban residents have been charged with complicity. The papers add that three have been executed, but we do not know the nature of the crime.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
WASHINGTON ALARMED.

WASHINGTON, October 29th.

Washington is alarmed at reports from Syria and the State Department has instructed the American Ambassador in Paris to make representations to the French Government for the protection of American life and property in Damascus.

MAY CLAIM DAMAGES.

According to official reports from Damascus, while the French residents were removed to barricaded positions the bombardment proceeded without notice to other foreigners. A demand for indemnification will undoubtedly be made on Paris in respect of damage to American property immediately the details are received. It is known that damage has already been done, though hitherto no American has been reported hurt.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
THE LOCARNO PACT.

GERMAN NATIONALISTS ISSUE MANIFESTO.

BERLIN, October 29th.
The executive of the German Nationalist Party has issued a manifesto of its attitude toward the Locarno Treaty. It says the Party has been disappointed the Party, range of their principles regarding war guilt and the State Army. Article 16 of the League Covenant is not upheld and reduction of the occupation period in the Rhineland and Saar is stipulated.

POLITICS IN EGYPT.

ROYAL DECREE CAUSES MUCH CONSTERNATION.

CAIRO, October 29th.

Consternation has reached its highest point at the publication of a Royal Decree compelling all political organisations to make a declaration with regard to their headquarters and membership within one month.

A prominent politician interviewed by Reuter, declared that it was a most reactionary step and likely to have the gravest results leading to a reapparance of secret societies.

There is reason to believe that the Zaghlulists, Liberals and Watanists will ignore the decree and defy the Government. The opposition organ *Al-Masrah*, asks whether the new High Commissioner, Sir George Lloyd, is concerned in making the decree which is called to drive the country towards reaction.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SITUATION IN THE NORTH.

FENGtien FORCES DRIVEN OUT OF KIANGSU.

CHANG MAY BE PRINTING.

SHANGHAI, October 30th.

General Sun Chuan Fang's rapid advances cleared the Fengtien forces out of Kiangsu and gave him control of the railway as far as Peking, with a narrow front. But his advance was preceded by the movement of the forces of the Allied Provinces. The latter are beginning to reach Pukow from Fukien and Kiangsi, while a division is moving on Peking from Anhui.

With reinforcements, Sun can command 70,000; Chang Tsung Chang, of Fengtien, about 80,000. The Fengtien forces are more compact and better prepared. They apparently intend to strike before the arrival of allied reinforcements, 15,000 of whom are being hurried to the front. Sun Chuan Fang reached Peking from Nanking this morning, and reported that the Fengtien advance had begun.

IN MEMORY OF SUN.

CHINESE UNIVERSITY TO BE OPENED IN MOSCOW.

MOSCOW, October 29th.

A Chinese University, to be named after the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, is to be opened in Moscow at the beginning of December and will accommodate 250 Chinese students. M. Radek, who has been elected Rector, has said that the work of the University will be strictly scientific—principally social and economic sciences—and will be entirely free from any propaganda.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
ELECTIONS IN CANADA.

CONSERVATIVES APPEAR TO HOLD STRONG LEAD.

OTTAWA, October 30th.

The results of the elections, available early this morning show that Mr. Meighen (Conservative leader) is returned as head of the largest group, though whether he will have a clear majority remains undecided until the returns of 25 doubtful constituencies have been received.

According to unofficial figures, issued at 3 a.m., the position is as follows:—118 Conservatives; 59 Liberals; 10 Progressives; 2 Independents; 2 Labour; and 25 doubtful.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
THE FIRST RETURNS.

OTTAWA, October 29th.

The first returns in the Canadian elections indicate that the tide is flowing in favour of the Conservatives.

Latest returns indicate that the Conservatives have a small, but clear, majority in the new Parliament. Nine Cabinet Ministers, including Mr. Mackenzie King, have been defeated.

AGRICULTURE IN U.S.A.

HELP MAY BE SOUGHT FROM EUROPE.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., October 29th.

A conference of Governors of the Southern States has unanimously passed a resolution requesting Congress to amend the immigration laws to enable large groups of farmers to be brought from Europe to develop agriculture in the United States.

INCONVENIENT DOUBLES.

To be arrested as a criminal has been the fate of several men with "doubles" (says the *Morning Post*). In 1869 a butler named Johnson was arrested in London, identified as a man who had committed a series of burglaries, and sentenced to 10 years' penal servitude. When he had served five years, his "double" confessed, and he was released. A Scots farm bailiff named Gale, while on holiday in London, confidently pointed out a man who, he affirmed had robbed him in a tavern, and the landlord of the tavern picked out the same man from among nine others. But the accused turned out to be a civilian engineer in a large way of business, and it was proved that he could not possibly be the man. Then, long before the days of fingerprints, there was a barber's apprentice named Mall who, though duly identified, proved that at the time of the alleged theft he was standing in the dock at the Old Bailey charged with another offence, of which he was also innocent, he having the misfortune to be the facsimile of a notorious thief.

TIENTSIN RACES.

BENGAL WINS CHAMPIONS IN EXCELLENT TIME.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

TIENTSIN, October 30th.

As predicted General Sutton's pony, Bengal, carried off the race for the Champions, yesterday, in the excellent time of 2:34.3.

The full results were:—

FIRST RACE (One Mile):

Gold Tite 1
Rolls Royce 2
Michael 3
Time: 2:04.1-5.

SECOND RACE (1½ Miles):

Toby 1
Dartagan 2
Merville 3
Time: 3:13.3-5.

THIRD RACE (3 Furlongs):

Hallar 1
Talisman 2
Savoy 3
Gobi Cloud 4
Time: 1:31.3-5.

FOURTH RACE (1½ Miles):

Lucerna II 1
Crackman 2
Glengarry 3
Time: 2:40.2-5.

FIFTH RACE (1½ Miles):

Mullinar 1
Glengarry 2
Penbraze 3
Time: 3:52.2-5.

SIXTH RACE (7 Furlongs):

Tifflits 1
Pettit Charlie 2
Tramore Bay 3
Time: 1:45.

THE CHAMPIONS (1½ Miles):

Bengal 1
Lyrie 2
Rambler 3
Time: 2:34.2-5.

THE WINNING NUMBERS.

First Horse No. 4069
Second Horse No. 1839
Third Horse No. 4203

NINTH RACE (1½ Miles):

Majestic 1
Gobi Cloud 2
Kildare 3
Time: 2:44.3-5.

TENTH RACE (One Mile):

Pentreath 1
Sandown 2
Ginger 3

SINGAPORE.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE NAVAL BASE.

We have received from Messrs. Sifton, Præd & Co. a new "Strategical Atlas of the Oceans," by Mr. Vaughan Cornish, in which, by means of "centring" Mercator's Projection on the meridian 110° E., now known as "the Washington Line," the strategic aspect of the oceans and the relation of the trade routes of the world to naval bases are more clearly apprehended than in the usual arrangement, says the *London Morning Post*. The essential importance of the naval base at Singapore, for instance, becomes at once apparent.

Mr. Vaughan Cornish, after a detailed study of Imperial communications, concludes that, in default of the establishment of a first-class naval base at Singapore, there would be a gap in the chain which would leave a United British Empire to the "favour and suzerainty of foreign Powers." For, under the terms of the Washington Treaty, Great Britain is precluded from building the large dry docks required for the cleaning and repair of modern capital ships. Therefore, the ships on the China station must be sent periodically to Malta and back, a voyage of 12,000 miles, for refitting. Before the war, before the developments in the capital ship due to new conditions of warfare, and before the signature of the Washington Treaty, Hongkong was the Malta of the East. To-day the ability of the Fleet to guard the passages of the East Indian Islands depends solely upon the establishment of the naval base at Singapore. At Singapore the maritime roads from north-west, north-east, and south-east meet; and it is rightly placed to become the intermediate air-port of an air line between Great Britain and Australia.

Mr. Vaughan Cornish regards the naval base at Singapore as of even more importance in relation to the Indian Ocean and to British Indian possessions than in relation to naval operations in the Pacific; though he considers it essential to the fulfilment of British obligations in China. The commercial port of Singapore, placed at the southern turning point of Asia, is a port of call for the Far East, a port for transshipment of goods to and from the East Indian archipelago, and it has a considerable trade of its own. There are no more than about twelve other ports in the world whose trade is as large as the trade of Singapore, and in Asia Hongkong and Colombo alone have a larger trade. So important is the strategic centre of this region considered by the Netherlands that at a conference held in Rome, under the League of Nations the Dutch suggested an increase of their Navy which would more than double it, in order to ensure the safety of their insular possessions in these waters. In the light of the

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR

LONDON.

A TYPE OF THE NEW SCHOOL.

Writing in the *Star*, Mr. George Godwin describes Baron Matsui, the successor of Baron Hayashi at the Court of St. James, as a typical representative of the New Japan and a true type of cosmopolitan, in whom the culture of the East and West are merged.

When he was an undergraduate in the Imperial University of Tokyo—he took a degree in Law—Matsui one day wandered into the class-room of Professor Lafadio Hearne. He listened to Hearne lecturing on de Maupassant, and his imagination was captured. Hearne, the myopic American scholar, who spent a working lifetime in interpreting the mind of the West to the East, regarded himself as a failure; yet the seed he sowed germinated. And it was with the intellects of such men as Matsui that he succeeded. To-day, Baron Matsui—he was raised to the peerage of Japan for his services as representative of Japan at Versailles, and, later, on the Supreme Council—is as much at home on the Quai d'Orsay, or at Buckingham Palace, as he is in his native Osaka or in the exclusive society of official Tokyo.

At Versailles Baron Matsui was known as a good listener. He rarely spoke, but when he did it was in a rapid, nervous French, perfectly free from Oriental circumlocution. This mastery of a difficult Occidental tongue by an Oriental surprised all but those who knew that it was the result of a study which started in his far-off Tokyo University days—a study which made this modern Japanese an authority on French life and French literature. No other living Japanese—except, perhaps, the veteran Baron Hayashi, Viscount Kato and Count Chinda—knows more of the European mind than the newly-appointed Ambassador. Baron Hayashi (who is returning to England as the guardian of Prince Chichibu) was a shrewd, enigmatic diplomat, with a disconcertingly sudden smile. He never quite mastered our language. That handicap to diplomacy the new Ambassador will not have. If he does not speak English with the wide vocabulary with which he speaks French, he yet speaks fluently and well.

AT HOME.

Ask those who have come into contact with him in his official capacity, and they will tell you that Baron Matsui is a serious person, little given to smiles or light conversation. But in his family circle he has several daughters and a wife some years younger than himself—he has the reputation of a dry, humour and a ready wit.

Baron Matsui believes in the higher education of women, and is, in Japan, regarded as a man with advanced ideas on this subject. His eldest daughter—she was married only a few days ago—has inherited her father's literary flair: she has two slim volumes of delightful poetry to her credit.

When official duties are done Baron Matsui likes nothing better than a fast gallop on a good horse. He has never hunted in England. But he spends a good deal of his leisure riding. High-jumping is his fable, and when he is not putting his own mount at a stiff fence, he likes to watch experts from Italy and other countries of superb horsemanship showing off their art.

IS MARS INHABITED?

An Associated Press message states that Dr. G. H. Hamilton of Trinity College, will soon present at the International Astronomical Union what he regards as conclusive evidence of the existence on Mars of sentient beings with a civilisation of 90,000 years to their credit. "My proofs are forthcoming," said Dr. Hamilton recently, "that Mars is in the condition the earth is approaching—that is, a desert. One it had seas, but they have disappeared. The mountains and hills are gone, worn away by wind erosion. The canals are not ditches nor water courses, as commonly supposed, but vegetation on each side of a canal of water. These conditions are routes of travel for commerce and anything else."

Scientific disquisition of Mr. Vaughan Cornish, the folly and ignorance of the Socialist contention that the building of a naval base at Singapore would be "provocative" become manifest; and the wisdom and foresight of the Board of Admiralty are sufficiently demonstrated.

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The issue of August 29th contains the full report of the great indignation meeting held at the Theatre Royal, together with the text of the Telegram sent to the Prime Minister.

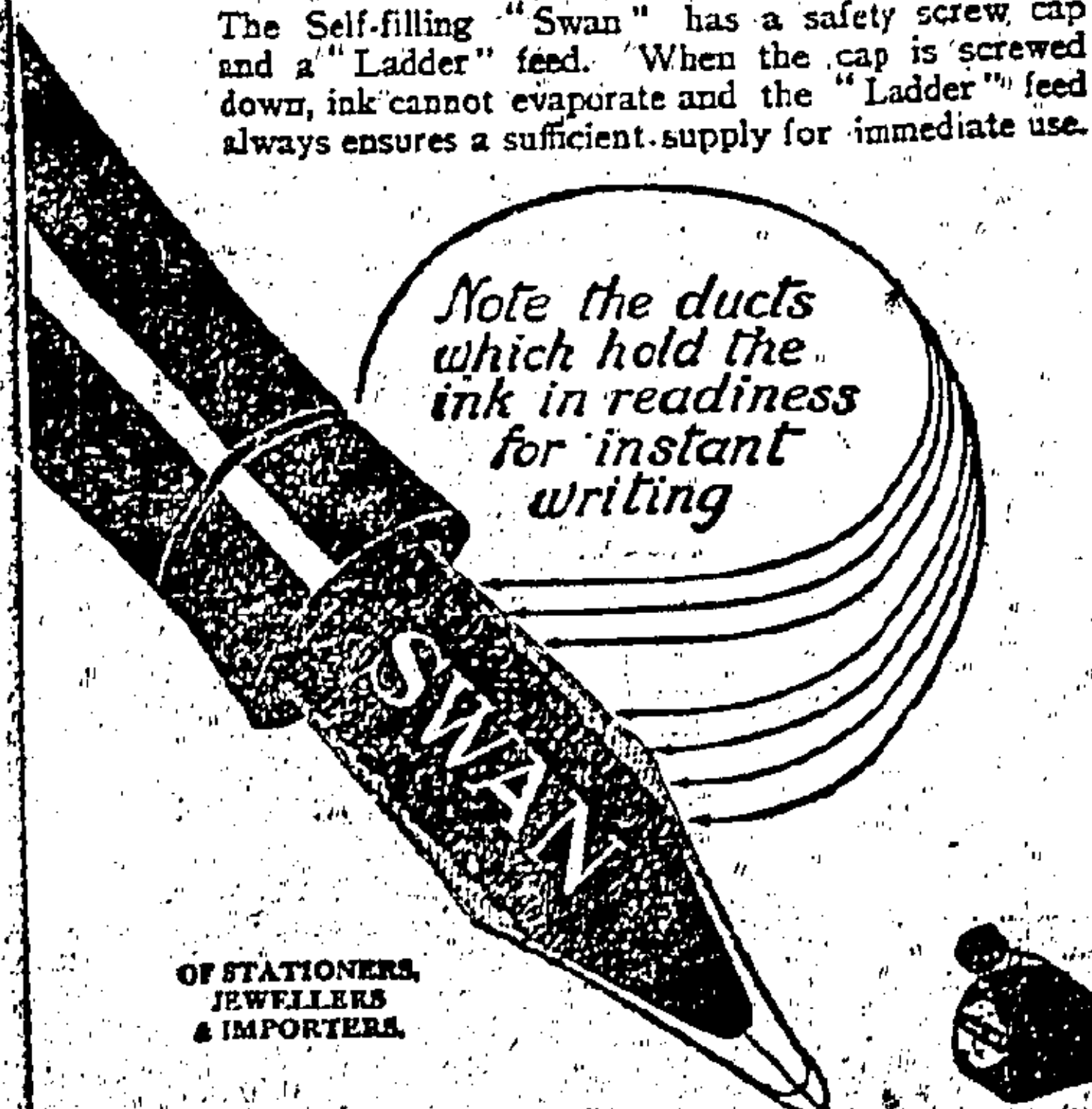
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MISANTHROPY.

IN LITERATURE AND LIFE.

[BY THE VERY REV. W. R. INGE, DEAN OF ST. PAUL'S, IN THE "MORNING POST."]

We may doubt whether a complete misanthrope—a hater of the entire human race—has ever existed. *Optimus gentis humani* was attributed by Tacitus to the Jews, but he probably only meant that the Jews have a grudge against all Gentiles. There have been many men who have hated half the human race, but they are generally called misogynists, or, as a lady novelist prefers, "gynophobes." Such men, as we should find if we knew their histories, have often jumped to the conclusion that all women are false because they have found one inconsistent; or they hate women because Cupid will not leave them alone, whereas women often hate men because Cupid has left them alone. But there is such a thing as sexual inversion, which turns the natural attraction of each sex to the other into repugnance. Some of the criminal suffragettes were undoubtedly victims of this unpleasant aberration, which belongs to the domain of mental pathology.

When we examine the misanthropes of fiction we find most of them unconvincing. Timon of Athens, if he were the whole of it, as he probably is, would not be the least Shakespearean hero. Timon, as Apollonius tells him, knows nothing of average human nature; he knows only the extremity of both ends. He passes from the extreme of condoning simplicity to the opposite extreme of universal mistrust. It is doubtful whether this is true to nature. We see many fools parted from their money; where the excuse is, there will the virtues be gathered together; but the beggared fool remains an ordinary fool to the end; he may become a drunkard, but he seldom becomes a misanthrope. Molière's *Alceste* in *Le Misanthrope* is much more subtly drawn. He is a disingenuous idealist, who has lost all faith in human nature, till he is inconsistent; but at least he falls violently in love. This is a possible type, but not a common one. The idealist calls out the best in other people, and does not see human nature in a very unfavourable light. Those who see men and women at their worst, usually not idealists, Charles II. believed that most people are scoundrels, but thought no worse of them on that account. He was no misanthrope.

Sir Walter Scott's *Black Dwarf* shows the effect of deformity in creating a feeling of resentment in a victim against the "society of things," which allowed such a humiliating injustice to light upon him. Some revolutionists have been men of this type; and there have been others who for one reason or another have received a human kindness and affection in their youth, and who in consequence have thought vindictively for their own kind. It is said that the unpopular American millionaire Jay Gould was a man of this kind. Scott, however, makes the misanthrope of the *Black Dwarf* only half sincere.

BYRON AND WILF.

Misanthropes in real life are naturally more complex. Byron, who is described by Shelley as "gentle, patient, and unassuming in social life," was intensely proud and embittered. He felt rightly that the London society of the Regency had no right to throw stones at him, and that he had ideals which his enemies were too gross to understand. But his misanthropy was partly a pose; he knew that it made him interesting to all Europe.

Swift is the nearest approach to a real misanthrope that we can find in history, and he was more than half insane. He was unquestionably a genius, but his whole life was marred by incurable morbidity. Incapable of any love, he was strongly addicted to selfish philandering. He despised all others, but still more as he saw it himself. He greeted his own birthday with the dreadful text, "Let the day perish wherein I was born." And yet it does not appear that he hated individuals, unless, indeed, they had given him an excuse to quarrel with them.

Misanthropy is too often imputed to those who prefer solitude to society. There are some whose mind to them a kingdom is, and who dislike being interrupted in their cogitations. Diogenes very severely asked Alexander to stand out of his light; he did not care to talk to young officers. St. Senanour, whom Matthew Arnold introduced to the English public by the title of his novel, Obermann, preferred to be among the mountains of Switzerland while his countrymen were foaming at the mouth over the rights of man and getting the said rights. Wordsworth did not mind the same, and no one has called him misanthrope. The French Revolution, in all other revolutions, was a mad party, and a wise man might well prefer the companionship of Mont Blanc to Helvellyn.

SOLITUDE.

Emerson described a friend who belonged to a not uncommon and really rather tragic type—a shy thin-skinned man, who was painfully conscious of some intangible barrier which kept him off from human sympathy. The most agreeable compliment you could pay him was to imply that you had not observed him in a house or street where you had met him. Whilst he suffered himself with the delicious thought of the inconceivable number of places where he was not. Such men often get the reputation of being deliberately unsocial, and even misanthropic when in reality they would give anything for the ready gift of making friends and being at home in any company, who comes so easily to many people. English solitude may be a "bride of Thetis" (to refer to a well-known passage in Plato)—an unwilling disability which we may even turn

(Continued in next column.)

PLAID IS POPULAR.

WHAT PARIS IS WEARING.

Plaid materials are prominent in exclusive showrooms. Black-and-white plaids are worked in short-haired furs for cape collars and even for short coats. Some of the newest plaids are described as "futurist": cross lines of green, blue, and orange make a vivid pattern on a black ground. "Futurist" materials are generally lined with black panne or black charmeuse; or the brilliant plaid fabric is used to line black or bottle-green duvetyn.

BOIS DE ROSE VELVET.

A favourite colour of the season is "bois de rose": it is really beautiful in tulle velvet for evening frocks, embroidered by hand with crystal and diamond beads intermingled with tiny pearls. All the best embroideries, head or silk, are now executed by hand, and some of them are works of art.

SILK JERSEY CLOTH.

For dinner and dance frocks there is a new material which is having a great success in Paris. It is a fine and very supple silk jersey cloth, embroidered nearly all over with bead and silk designs. The work is so skillfully done that the richly embroidered material retains its elasticity.

All the new metal brocades are soft and supple as chiffon. This quality is regarded as essential: many yards of fabric may be crushed and draped into a single gown, but there must be no touch of stiffness in the silhouette.

FOR AFTERNOON WEAR.

Crispe-backed satins are very popular for afternoon frocks; and two other materials, chiffon velvet and crepe de Chine, are prominently fashionable for the same purpose. I have seen a beautiful satin that closely resembles panne, and a new crepe, that seems to possess all the qualities of charmeuse.

A POPULAR FUR.

Stencilled gazelle is one of the popular furs of the hour. It is so pliable that it can be draped with silk crepe, and the stencilled designs give strength and "body" to the dark markings. Caracul is clipped close to give the effect of broad tail; in fact, there is a big vogue in very short-haired furs of all kinds.

to a higher gain. For Goethe was right when he said, "A talent is formed in solitude, a character in the stream of the world." The lonely man may do more for his generation than if he had been by nature jolly, sociable, and popular; though I am afraid Sir John Seeley was right when he said, "Solitude is the death of all but the strongest virtue."

But the preference for solitude, mis-called misanthropy, is often a mere habit. Browning supposes that his "Gramscian" immersed himself in Greek because he preferred to purchase "heaven's success" by "earth's failure." Not a bit of it. The poor man has formed a habit of sitting at his desk and compiling commentaries for eight or ten hours a day, and he can no more break himself of the habit than the toper can pass his favourite public-house. He is a moderately happy man, but no hero. He sees men as books, walking, and he is more comfortable with the books that do not walk. There is no misanthropy here.

Mere society, however, does not abolish isolation, though it deadens the pain of it. Some people chatter to protect their inner life from invasion, others, no doubt, because they have no inner life to protect. There are many women for one reason or the other, are so fond of talking that they are very rarely called misanthropes. Lady Hester Stanhope, who fled from London society to live with a few Arab servants, is a very rare type.

Most of us would agree with Aristotle: "without friends no one would care to live."

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

THE AMERICAN POINT OF VIEW.

DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN SOURCES.

An American viewpoint of the present rubber situation and the operation of the Stevenson Restriction Act is given in last month's issue of the *Guaranty Survey*, the monthly publication of the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. "The lack of price stability," comments the *Survey*, "has admittedly been due in part to the conservative buying methods of American manufacturers, who are the chief consumers of the raw material. And it is probable that the recent rise, no less than the earlier decline, is traceable largely to this cause. Apparently the stocks of crude rubber held by manufacturers were allowed to shrink to such an extent that large-scale buying became imperative."

It is not likely, however, that any great proportion of the imports of recent months represent contracts at anything approaching peak prices. During the first six months of this year the average New York quotation on ribbed smoked sheet was less than 50 cents a lb., as compared with a high point of \$1.21 for two days in July. And no doubt the contracts for much of the rubber imported during this period antedated the actual shipments by many months.

If crude rubber prices maintain their present level for a considerable period, the price, and hence the consumption, of tyres and other products may be affected in a marked degree. Such a situation, however, could not continue long without automatically bringing to an end the operation of the Stevenson restriction plan. The exportable allowance for the three months beginning August 1st is 75 per cent of the standard production, and the continuance of prices above 1s. 6d. during this period would raise the allowance for the following quarter to 85 per cent. If prices should remain above this level until May 1st, 1926, the restriction regulations would become in-operative.

DURATION OF PRESENT LEVEL.

The only contingency, therefore, in which the price of crude rubber can remain at, or near, its present level for any sustained period is the increase in world demand to such a point that a shortage exists even with the plantations producing and exporting at full capacity. Under such conditions the price might remain high for several years, until newly planted areas could be brought into bearing. This, in the long run, is the chief danger of the plan. As long as restrictions exist the planting of new areas will be discouraged. And the growth of demand to the point necessary to end restriction might easily be followed by several years of severe hardship while new trees growing to the productive stage.

The advance in the price of rubber, continues the *Survey*, "has again emphasized the dependence of the United States, which consumes about three-fourths of the world's output of rubber, upon foreign sources of supply. Investigations have been made with a view to determining the possibility of rubber production in the Philippines, and even in some sections of the United States. American manufacturers in some cases acquired ownership of plantations, and one of the largest companies, now produces about 25 per cent of its raw material. Another leading manufacturer has leased about 1,000,000 acres of land from the Liberian Government, and expects to undertake the production of rubber on an enormous scale. In the meantime, experiments are being made constantly to develop an economical process for producing synthetic rubber."

"COMRADES" IN SOCIETY.

SOME ENGLISH SOCIALISTS.

Lady Cynthia Mosley, who has been adopted as prospective Socialist candidate for Stoke-on-Trent, has a number of society sister "comrades" who have identified themselves with the same political party.

There is, for instance, Lady Clare Annesley, the elder daughter of Priscilla Lady Annesley, who was recently adopted as Socialist candidate for Bristol, West. Lady Clare, who is a member of the executive committee of the Women's International League, has been an active worker in the Socialist movement since 1915.

Lady Tavistock, the Duke of Bedford's daughter-in-law, whose husband has joined the Socialists, speaks in public occasionally for the party.

Lady Margaret Sackville, daughter of Lady de la Warr, has also identified herself with the Socialist Party. She is also a poetess of repute.

The most prominent woman Socialist remains, nevertheless, Frances, Countess of Warwick, whose home in Essex has become the "Chequers" of the party.

Mrs. Noel Buxton, a cousin of Lady Droghda, is an active worker in the Socialist ranks. As Miss Lucy Pelham-Burn and a member of a Conservative family, she once took a leading part in a series of meetings against Mr. Noel Buxton's election to Parliament. Her brother-in-law's wife, Mrs. C. Rodem Buxton, has also been an ardent Socialist.

The Half-Circles Club, of which Mrs. Clynnes was one of the leading spirits, has been merged in the new Labour Club at Westminster, and there many of the leading women Socialist workers may be seen from Miss Susan Lawrence, herself once a Conservative, to Mrs. Arthur Bourchier (Miss Kyrle Bell, the actress), who recently contemplated becoming a parliamentary candidate.

IS IT WORTH IT?

Are we sufficiently grateful (writes a correspondent) to those novelists who travel so far and go to so much trouble in order to be accurate? I once heard Mr. Cutcliffe Hynes say that, writing at the rate of two and a half miles a year, of about 7,000 to 8,000 words in length, he averaged 4,800 miles of travel per tale. For his first book, which brought him in £11, he travelled 850 miles across Arctic Lapland. In order to describe a scene at the mouth of the Congo he stayed there three scorching days, perched on a gin case. "When I kept still the land crabs came out to see if I was a subject for them," he said. "When I moved they decided I was not ripe. I tried to get down what the twenty long miles to the mouth of the Congo were like. I wrote three sheets and boiled them down to one. At the end of the third day I had got it down to this: 'A beer-colored river that stunk of crushed marigolds.' It took me three days to get it."—*En.*

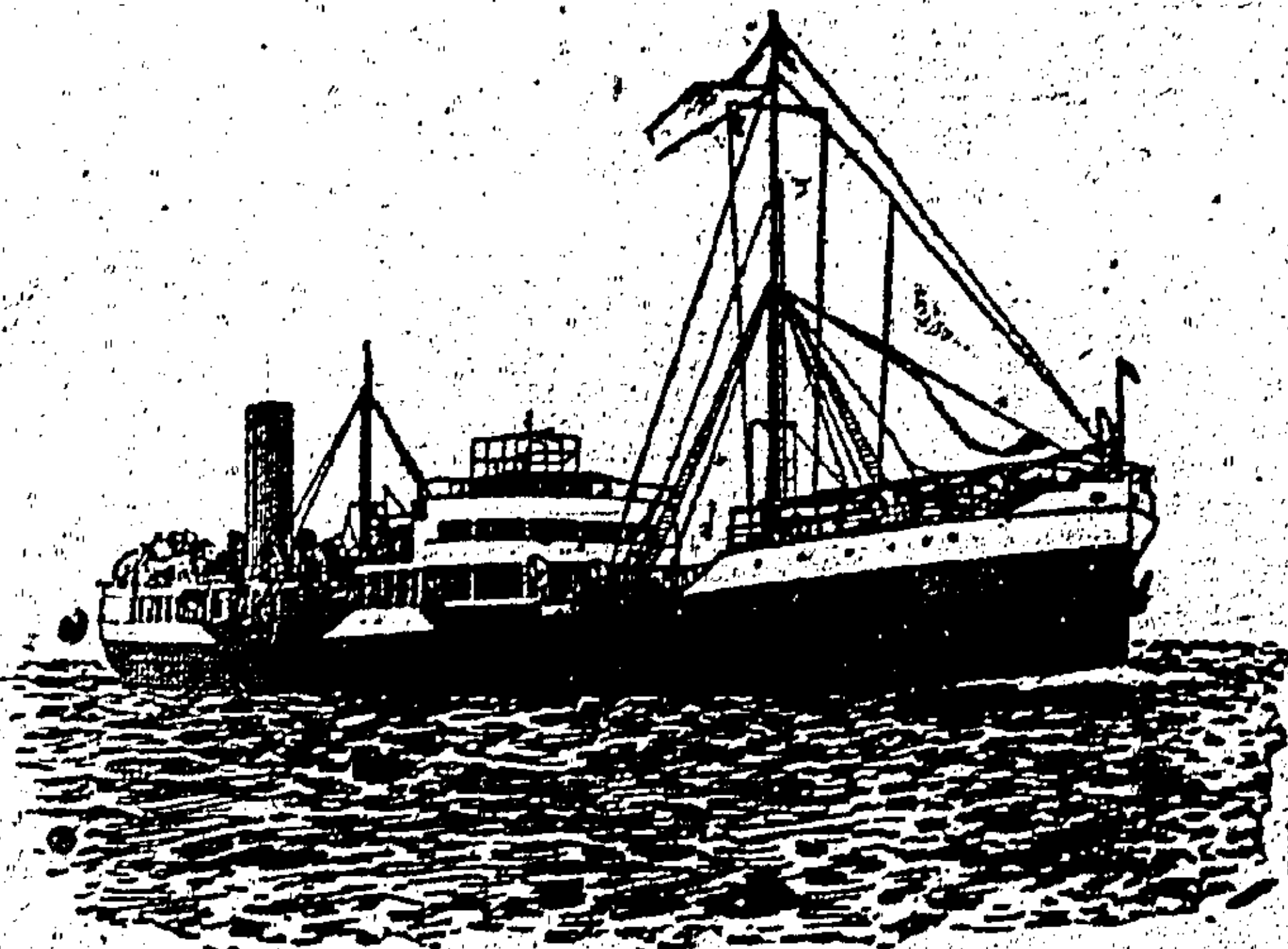
duction of crude rubber on an enormous scale. In the meantime, experiments are being made constantly to develop an economical process for producing synthetic rubber. While these various projects do not appear to offer any immediate threat to the present position of the East Indian plantations, they may possibly be developed in time to provide a valuable safeguard against future shortages.

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

October 29th.

Taiwan Maru, Japanese str., 1,204 tons, Capt. T. Ishigaki, from Keelung and Swatow, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C34—O.S.K.

October 31st.

Kiwa, British str., 5,500 tons, Capt. H. W. Randall, R.D., R.N.B., from Yokohama and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Tyndarus, British str., 7,175 tons, Capt. H. N. Slater, from Tacoma and Kobe, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—R. & S.

CLEARANCES.

October 30th.

Deaouyge, for Hoikow.
Haining, for Amoy.
Haimar, for Passeroen.
Kyngin, for Bangkok.
Kiwa, for Singapore.
President Lincoln, for Manila.
Taiwan Maru, for Hoikow.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Kobe on October 30th at 7.30 a.m., left on October 31st at 6 a.m., and is due at Nagasaki on November 1st at 8 a.m.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Empress of Russia (C.P.R.), due November 5th.
Kyngin (P. & O.), due November 1st, at daylight.
Santia (B.I. & A.), due November 1st.
St. Albans (E. & A.), due November 1st.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The shipping statement for yesterday showed that the total number of vessels in the harbour at 9 a.m. was 63, of which 33 were British.

For the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday there were only five arrivals, of which one was British, one French, one American and two Japanese. The departures for the same period numbered fifteen, a number that has not been reached for some time past. Of the departures, two vessels left for Swatow. Eight vessels entered clearance papers yesterday.

Of the arrivals, three were mentioned yesterday, namely the s.s. *Empire Arrow*, the s.s. *President Lincoln* and the s.s. *Docteur Pierre Benoit*. The two remaining arrivals were the P. & O. s.s. *Kiwa*, which arrived from the North with 40 tons of general cargo from Yokohama and Shanghai and mail from Japan, Shanghai and Home via Siberia; and the s.s. *Taiwan Maru* (Japanese) with 80 tons of coal and 60 tons of general cargo.

CHINA COAST CLEARANCES.

The following are the latest China Coast Clearances—

Mr. Colin Boyer, has signed off as 1st mate of the *Taiwan Maru*.

Mr. T. W. Spence, has signed off as 2nd mate of the *Taiwan Maru* and has gone 1st mate of the same vessel.

Mr. R. J. Campbell, of the same vessel has gone 2nd mate.

Mr. E. Morrison, *Seikun*, has gone 2nd mate of the *Seikun*.

Mr. D. J. McGee, has signed off as 3rd mate of the *Seikun* and has gone 3rd mate of the *Seikun*.

Mr. A. J. Calame, *Tungshan*, has gone 3rd engineer of the *Tungshan*.

Mr. R. G. Cumming, *Mun Sang*, has gone master of the *Hop Sang*.

Mr. J. A. Goss, *Hop Sang*, has gone 2nd mate of the *Hop Sang*.

Mr. T. M. Thomas, *Tung Sang*, has gone 1st engineer of the *Hop Sang*.

Mr. W. J. Bowden, *Lai Sang*, has gone 3rd engineer of the *Hop Sang*.

Mr. C. Henderson, has signed off the *Philoteles* as 7th engineer.

Mr. A. Munge, Mr. T. V. Benton, Mr. E. Fitzpatrick and Mr. O. Lathorpey, have all signed off the *Confucius* as master, 1st engineer, 2nd engineer and 1st mate respectively.

Mr. Alfred Formby, has signed off the *Tyndarus* as 7th engineer and has gone 7th engineer of the *Philoteles*.

Mr. N. H. Bennett, has signed off the *Cheong Ming* as 1st mate.

Mr. C. Fletcher, *Chak Sang*, has gone 1st mate of the *Cheong Ming*.

Mr. L. Cock, *Mokta*, has gone 2nd mate of the *Taming*.

Mr. J. Ryle, *Shantung*, has gone 2nd engineer of the *Taming*.

Mr. Alex. C. Morice, *Fatshan*, has gone 3rd engineer of the *Taming*.

Mr. A. W. Muir, has signed off as master of the *Tung On*.

Mr. A. S. T. Fullam, of the same steamer, has signed off as 1st mate and has gone master of the *Tung On*.

Mr. W. L. Forster, *Wing On*, has gone 1st mate of the *Tung On*.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Passengers on board the P. & O. s.s. *Kiwa* which arrived from Japan and Shanghai on October 30th were: Mr. F. W. Appleby, Mr. W. H. Beatty, Mrs. E. A. Bates, Miss K. C. Bristow, Miss M. G. Bridges, Bishop-Banister, Mr. C. F. Bromley, Mrs. Bromley and son, Mr. T. C. Northwick, Pay-Comdr. W. J. A. Brown, Mrs. Brown, Pay-Lt-Comdr. Bolster, Mr. H. B. Collier, Mr. J. Crosthwaite, Miss Daye, Miss Dayrell, Mr. and Mrs. Emmerton, Mr. S. M. Hadi, Mr. Ho, Mr. R. T. Holder, Capt. O. Hangstad, Mr. L. Kosloff, Mr. J. F. List, Dr. and Mrs. MacLennan, Miss MacLennan, Miss MacLennan, A.B. F. J. Pierce, Mr. T. W. Shearstone, P.O. L. J. Simpson, Pay-Lt-Comdr. Symes, Admiral M. C. Thavara, Mrs. Tocher and child, Mrs. E. Venus, Miss Wilson, Mr. C. T. Woodruff, Mr. J. Webster, Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, Mrs. H. Wilkinson.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. *President Lincoln*, for Manila, on October 30th:—Mrs. W. B. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Chaney, Mr. Kao Hong Chong, Mrs. B. Cole, Miss E. J. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. N. Costello, Mr. H. F. Craft, Mr. L. H. Deubner, Mr. J. J. Elzalde, Mr. J. M. Elzalde, Mr. A. Enrique, Mrs. J. F. Elzalde, Mr. R. E. Hachang, D.D., Mr. F. Harrison, Rev. E. J. King, Miss E. Monnet, Mr. R. B. Marsh, Sister Patricia, Mrs. F. Podmore, Rev. J. M. Reyes, Mr. F. A. Seymour, Mrs. D. Simpson and two sons, Mr. F. Stevenson, Mr. Massey Teague, Rev. T. D. Tomacruz, Mr. C. H. Underwood, Mrs. F. W. Vincent, Mr. J. S. Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wallace and infant, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Whelan, Mr. Koo Po Yu, Mr. A. T. Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kelly, Mrs. Hong Ah May, Mrs. A. S. Curry, Mr. F. W. Wakefield, Mr. J. Varlas, Mr. C. Khenehand, Dr. F. W. Mohr.

Per s.s. *Empress of Canada*, on October 30th:—Mr. A. G. de Alba, Mr. W. E. Austen, Miss Aw Yung Shee, Miss Olga Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Bailek, Mr. R. C. Barreto, Mr. G. C. Barreto, Mr. T. S. Bourne, Mr. H. C. Burns, Mr. D. S. Carll, Mr. B. Stuard, Mr. and Mrs. E. Chandler, Mr. H. L. Carson, Mr. Victor Chan, Mr. Ching, Mr. Ching, Mr. F. P. Chang, Mrs. Yok Lam, Mr. Chai Tung Shang, Mr. and Mrs. Chai Ching Chuen, Miss Chai Yung Hing, Miss Chai Wan Hing, Miss Chin Shi, Miss Chan Mui, Mr. Chiu Yat Man, Mrs. E. R. Cheong and infant, Mr. Chiu Yum Chuen, Mrs. F. R. G. de Cruz and two children, Mr. A. Cruz, Mr. F. Cruz, Misses C. E. and F. Cruz, Mr. C. W. Cummings, Mr. H. Ellis, Mr. E. M. Ellis, Mrs. A. C. Emerson and two children, Mr. L. C. van der Feltz, Mr. and Mrs. Fung Kong On, Mr. T. G. Gasterford, Mr. D. Green, Mr. W. D. Goodfellow, Mr. D. Green, Mr. E. C. Gulp, Mr. J. Handelsman and son, Mr. S. Harding, Mr. G. Harding, Mr. H. Healy, Mr. J. K. Houghan, Mr. Ho Wan Chuen, Mr. Ho Yut Lum, Mrs. M. Hughes and daughter, Mr. B. M. Jackson, Mr. B. P. Kaka, Mr. S. G. Kirkland, Mr. Lai Yum, Mrs. Lang Chek Yee, Mr. and Mrs. C. Larkin, Master C. Larkin, Miss Lau Ming Ha, Mrs. Leung Yew Nam, Miss Leung Chue Gue, Mr. L. Yen Chung, Miss Ling Sui Hong, Miss Ling Sok Won, Mr. H. Machoy, Mr. H. S. Matteson, Mr. Mui Lin Hop, Mr. Moy Ho Nie, Mr. Y. K. Mok, Mr. W. C. Mulock-Houwer, Mr. E. Myntner, Mr. A. C. Peet, Mr. M. A. Ruzick, Miss G. M. Robinson, Mrs. S. B. Robinson and son, Major H. H. Rowntree, Miss E. Simonson, Mr. Soo Wing Hen, Mrs. N. van der Starr, Miss M. Stewart, Mr. V. H. Summers, Mr. Sum Fong Hin, Mr. J. Takikawa, Miss Tong Hok Ting, Mr. Tsai Chen, Miss Tsang Sow Man, Mr. Y. Tsurutani, Mr. E. Stone, Mr. A. L. Taylor, Mr. L. Yates, Mr. H. Vally, Mrs. F. M. Watson, P. Y. Wong, Mr. K. F. Wong, Mr. Wong Shui Mun, Mr. Wong Fung Cheung, Mrs. Wong Shui Mun, Mrs. Wong Shee, Miss Wei Pui Woh, Mr. Yu Ngam Ting, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Yung and two infants.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

The following notification has been received from the Canton Commissioner for Foreign Affairs:—
 "Martial Law has been declared in Bocca Tigris, where mines have been laid and all vessels, on entering this Port, will be subject to examination and must obtain a pilot from the Fumoon Fort Commander so as to avoid danger."

CHURCH SERVICES.

UNION CHURCH, Kennedy Road.—Sunday, November 1st.
 Morning Service at 11 o'clock.
 Hymns: 318, 81, 785, 251 and 544.
 Evening Service at 6 o'clock.
 Hymns: 214, 83, 284, 400 and 666.
 Preacher—Rev. W. T. Lindsay, M.A.

Wednesday, 4th Nov., at 8.15 p.m.—Soldiers and Sailors Christian Association.
 Friday, 6th Nov., at 8.30 p.m.—Christian Endeavour Society.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.—Sunday, November 1st.
 Special Services on behalf of Home Missions.
 8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
 11 a.m.—Morning Prayer & Holy Communion.
 Anthem: "What are these and whence come they?" (Stainer).
 2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.
 6 p.m.—Bible Class.
 8 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 13	May 16	May 19	May 22	May 25	May 28	May 31
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 6	June 9	June 12	June 15
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	June 11	June 14	June 17	June 20	June 23	June 26	June 29
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